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CONSERVATION ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE

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**NOTICE OF MEETING**

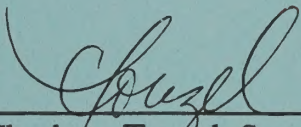
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**Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee**

JAN 19 1996

Monday, 1996 January 22  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 219, City Hall

GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee

**A G E N D A**

**1. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS**

- a) Heritage Day Ceremony and Activities (no copy)
- b) Round Table Meeting/Workshop for Hamilton-Wentworth Region  
LACACs

**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1995 December 11

**3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (no copy)**

**4. DIRECTOR OF LOCAL PLANNING**

- a) St. George's Church, 10 Tom Street - Removal of Designated Windows
- b) Proposed St. Mark's Centre (former St. Mark's Anglican Church) - Update
- c) Victoria Hall/MacKay Building - Update on Ad Hoc Committee to investigate possible uses
- d) Burlington Canal Lighthouse and Lightkeeper's House - Designation Status







- e) Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations - Proposed LACAC Projects (no copy)

**5. COMMITTEE/SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Hamilton Historical Board (Minutes of meetings held 1995 November 14 and 1995 December 12)
- b) CAPIC (Minutes of meeting held 1995 December 8)
- c) Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee (Minutes of meetings held 1995 November 13 and 1995 December 11)
- d) Heritage Day Planning Meeting (Minutes of meeting held 1995 November 29)

**6. OTHER BUSINESS**

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

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# LACAC

Town of Flamborough

Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee



January 12, 1996

Mrs. Dianne Dent  
LACAC Chairperson  
City of Hamilton  
c/o Nina Chapple  
Planning Department  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L8N 3T4

Dear Mrs. Dent:

**RE: Round Table Meeting/Workshop for Hamilton-Wentworth Region LACACs**

With reference to my letter of October 10, 1995 and to recent telephone conversations with area LACACs, the Town of Flamborough LACAC wishes to invite representatives from your Committee to what we hope will be the first of many regional LACAC meetings or workshops.

The threat of shrinking budgets; the indefinite delay of the new Heritage Act; recent changes to the Planning Act; and ongoing discussions regarding one tier/two tier government in Hamilton-Wentworth make it imperative that heritage organizations such as ours come together to discuss ways of achieving our goals and making ourselves heard in a decisive way and with a strong voice that is beyond the power of small individual cultural organizations.

We are proposing that our first meeting take place on *Saturday, March 2, 1996* from 10:00 AM to approximately 3:00 PM. We will confirm the venue when we know how many people will be attending.

Please let me know, as soon as possible, the number of members of your LACAC who will be in attendance. (I would suggest no more than three in order to keep the group discussion manageable.) In the meantime, I would appreciate any ideas you may have regarding topics for the agenda, which will be prepared and sent to you in advance of our meeting.



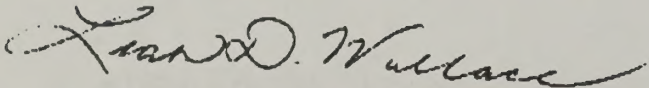
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Hamilton-Wentworth LACAC  
Round Table Meeting  
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The Flamborough LACAC looks forward to hosting this important and timely round table discussion and thanks you for your assistance in making the day a successful one.

For further information I can be reached in Waterdown at:

905-689-0316/4489 OR c/o Town of Flamborough  
163 Dundas Street East  
P.O. Box 50  
Waterdown, Ontario  
L0R 2H0

Yours very truly



Leah D. Wallace  
Chair

c.c. Steve DeLottinville, Dundas LACAC  
Charles McConnell, Ancaster LACAC  
Alan Freeman, Glanbrook LACAC  
Jeanette Nasby, Stoney Creek LACAC

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Monday, 1995 December 11  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 219, City Hall

The Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee met.

There were present: Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Reg Wheeler, Vice-Chairperson  
Alderman Wm. McCulloch  
Alderman Frank D'Amico  
Brian Henley  
Robert Hamilton  
John Mokrycke  
Jeff Steadman

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Regrets: Jane Rigby  
Robert Brough

Also present: Nina Chapple, Planning Department  
Joy Dubbeld, Planning Department  
Ann Gillespie, Planning Department  
Crystabelle Fobler, Secretary

1. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

Diane Dent called the meeting to order and reminded the Committee that following the meeting there will be a tour of the CN Station.

a) Gore Park Fountain

Diane Dent attended a meeting of the Gore Park Fountain Executive Committee and reported that the Committee will receive a \$100,000. donation for the Gore Park Fountain from the Sesquicentennial Committee.

b) Christ's Church Cathedral

Approximately 3 - 4 weeks ago, an article appeared in The Spectator regarding the renovations undertaken at Christ's Church Cathedral. It should be noted that the renovations did not affect the designated exterior or interior elements of the Cathedral.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Committee was in receipt of the minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held Monday, 1995 November 13 and approved these minutes: (Wheeler/Henley)

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Material to be covered on the Agenda.

4. DIRECTOR OF LOCAL PLANNING

a) CN Station - Heating of Building

The Committee was in receipt of a report from the Director of Local Planning regarding the CN Station - heating of building.



After a brief discussion the Committee approved the following recommendation:

**(Wheeler/Henley)**

Whereas the CN Station on James Street North, Hamilton, is designated under the Federal Heritage Railway Stations Protection Act;

Whereas the CN Station is also designated at the Municipal level under the Ontario Heritage Act as a significant heritage building;

Whereas interior renovations currently being undertaken by Juno Pix Film Company for a Hollywood adventure film will substantially improve the appearance of the building interior;

Whereas the owner, the Canadian National Railway Company, has reactivated the existing steam heating system for the period of time that the film is using the building (approximately 40 working days);

Whereas the lack of heating in the last 2 years has accelerated the deterioration of plaster walls and painted surfaces at an alarming rate;

That the City of Hamilton respectfully requests CN Railway to continue heating the building at a minimal level sufficient to prevent further deterioration, for the purpose of preserving the upgraded condition of the building and thereby maintaining its economic and cultural value.

**b) St. Marks Church**

**i) Issue of designated stained glass windows for discussion (no copy).**

The Anglican Diocese received a call from a person in Buffalo, NY inquiring about the procuring of one of the religious stained glass windows along the Sanctuary wall which her ancestors had donated.

Nina Chapple explained that the stained glass windows are designated features and would require a Heritage Permit to remove.

Nina presented the Committee with an estimation of the removal and delivery of the windows:

|                                |        |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| Removal/Delivery               | \$450. |
| Re-creation of the wooden sash | \$225. |
| Replacement glass              | \$500. |

For a total of approximately \$1200. plus taxes.

The Committee discussed this matter and then referred it to the St. Mark's Action Committee to set up a policy statement regarding removal of windows.

**ii) Update on Potential Issues**

Ann Gillespie reported that the first meeting of the St. Mark's Use Committee will be held tomorrow, 1995 December 12.



It was suggested that the Garden Club be included in the next agenda.

This Committee will be investigating the adaptive re-use of the former St. Mark's Anglican Church as a multi-purpose community facility and seeking potential user groups.

c) James Mountain Road Project - Update

It was reported that the design recommended by Roads Department staff had been tabled by the Transportation Services Committee at its last meeting held 1995 November 27.

A great deal of discussion ensued regarding the James Mountain Road Project, particularly since the item had been tabled. Staff are recommending widening of the roadway; however, there is public opposition to the proposed roadway widening. Committee members were questioning whether or not they should pursue designation of the roadway as a heritage road. However, Alderman McCulloch advised against this course of action and proposed that a letter outlining LACAC's position be sent to the Roads Department. He recommended that a letter be sent explaining the historical value of the road and that LACAC suggests that the present configuration be maintained and only necessary repairs and upgrades be undertaken.

To be included in the contents of the letter are:

- i) the preservation of James Mountain Road as the most intact, earliest surviving Mountain access still in use for vehicular traffic;
- ii) the upgrading of the road, but not its widening;
- iii) improvement of the existing pedestrian pathway from John Street up the Mountain to accommodate bicycles.

**(Mokrycke/Steadman) - Alderman D'Amico Opposed**

The Committee recommended that this matter be referred to the Research Sub-Committee. **(Steadman/Mokrycke)**

d) Victoria Hall - Updates

Nina Chapple distributed an information report containing several items as follows:

- i) CAPIC Recommendation for Ad Hoc Committee

Rob Hamilton and John Mokrycke volunteered to sit on this committee with members of CAPIC.



ii) Design Charette Proposal

Nina Chapple received a proposal from Norm Spanos regarding a design charette for Victoria Hall/MacKay Building. This item was referred to John Mokrycke. After some discussion the members agreed with the following recommendation:  
(Wheeler/Henley)

To ask the Hamilton Society of Architects to consider the request of Norm Spanos regarding design charette for Victoria Hall/MacKay Building.

iii) Facade Restoration

Estimates for maintaining the two historic facades were supplied by experienced restoration contractors:

Victoria Hall, estimate of \$29,000. from Heather and Little Limited Roofing and Sheet Metal Contractors; and MacKay Building,

estimate of \$31,000. by Empire Restoration Inc.

Another estimate of \$25,000. - \$30,000. was received from Allan Zeegan Associates (Structural Engineers) for stabilizing the two facades, if buildings behind were demolished.

The Heritage Hamilton Foundation wrote Mayor Morrow and the Aldermen advising that they were "shocked and dismayed at Council's decision regarding the reversal of its plan to acquire the historic Foster Building also known as Victoria Hall/MacKay Building."

Heritage Hamilton Foundation offered to donate a sum of money up to \$3,000. towards a conditional assessment study on Victoria Hall.

Alderman McCulloch advised the Committee that if there is a legitimate alternative and viable plan taking into consideration economic and engineering facets, the City Council would probably take another look at the Foster Building.

e) Custom House

Nina Chapple explained that the architects for the Custom House (McCallum, Mokrycke, Sather with Taylor, Hazell Architects) is working on a very tight budget for the conversion to the Ontario Workers Heritage Centre.

They are in the process, according to John Mokrycke, of information gathering on the building, measured drawings, and structural information, internal and external. Mr. Mokrycke would advise the Committee at a later date on the report of the Engineers.



f) Lister Block

Nina Chapple informed the Committee that the Conservation Review Board Hearing on Wednesday, 1995 December 13, has been postponed. The City of Hamilton's request for a site visit of the interior prior to the hearing could not be accommodated and so a postponement was necessary.

g) Hamilton GO Station

According to the Project Manager, the Station's completion date is set for January or later. Nina Chapple reported that mezzanine space has been set aside for establishing and exhibition on the TH & B railway. Marilynn Havelka, Manager of Cultural Services, Culture and Recreation Department will be involved.

h) Municipal Archives

Discussion ensued regarding the need for a municipal archives building.

Alderman D'Amico advised it would be worthwhile investigating vacant heritage buildings, including those owned by the Province (e.g. HPH buildings) as potential sites to accommodate the municipal archives.

Brian Henley also advised that his Chief Executive Officer has been petitioning the Property Department for the past 3 - 4 months as they are desperately in need of storage space for their archival items.

The Committee directed the Secretary to send a note to Joe Schatz, City Clerks Department advising of LACAC's concern. The letter will be copied to Mayor Morrow and Tony Butler.

i) The Right House/Park Place Sign Banner and Entrance Canopies

Ann Gillespie reported that five sign banners and two entrance canopies had just been erected. The sign banners are narrower and fewer in number than the original proposal previously approved by LACAC.

5. COMMITTEE/SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Education Sub-Committee (no copy)

Rob Hamilton explained that there is no report since the Committee had not recently met.

b) Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee

Joy Dubbeld handed out the text of the Gore Park and Fountain Commemorative Plaques for information.

c) Hamilton Historical Board (Received)

d) CAPIIC (Received)

e) Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee - Minutes Received



6. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a) **Designated Property Grant Program - Letter Requesting Continuation in 1996 from Chair Person, Niagara Falls LACAC to Minister of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation - Item Received**

- b) **Ontario Heritage Act - Update on Proposed Amendments (Bill 20)**

Nina Chapple explained that minor processing points contained in the OHA will be changed. These are non-controversial items and approval is expected.

- c) **Spending Reductions in Hamilton - Resolution by David Christopherson, MPP Hamilton Centre, debated in the Ontario Legislature, 1995 November 2 - Received**

- d) **Veevers Estate - Update on Proposed Uses.**

Some discussion ensued regarding this item. Members were concerned whether or not the home was being put to the use that the Veevers Brothers have requested. Brian Henley explained that there was a specific legal agreement which the City is trying to honour.

- e) **Heritage Day Ceremony - 1996 February 19 - Minutes of Heritage Day Planning Meeting 1995 October 11.**

With regard to this item, Nina Chapple explained that the Sesqui Subcommittee of LACAC should meet in the near future (target date of early January,) to provide a list of historic buildings that LACAC would like to see on the tape. This would be the video tape by Kathy Renwald from CHCH-TV.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items to discuss, the Committee then adjourned at 1:40 for a tour of the CN Station.

**Taken as read and approved,**

**Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee**

**Crystabelle Fobler, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee**



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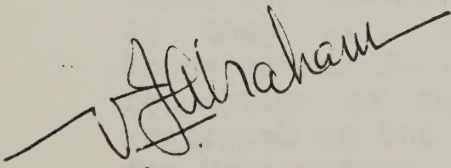
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**- RECOMMENDATION -**

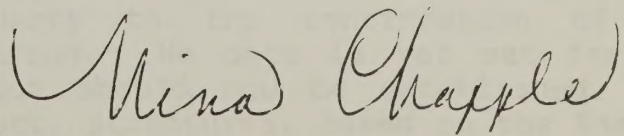
**DATE:** 1996 January 12  
**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary  
**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department  
**SUBJECT:** St. George's Church - removal of designated windows

**RECOMMENDATION:**

In response to two questions asked by the Conservation Review Board (see attached letter, 1995 August 15):

1. That LACAC confirm its support for the designation of St. George's Church and Parish Hall despite the illegal removal and alteration of features identified in the *Reasons for Designation*.
2. That no legal action be taken but that letters advising that several stained glass windows were removed in contravention of the Ontario Heritage Act be sent to a) the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara (former owner) and b) the Hamilton Christian Fellowship (present owner).





**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:** N/A

**BACKGROUND:**

1. LACAC discussed this issue informally at a previous meeting. The above recommendation represents the conclusion of the Committee. Several stained-glass windows were removed by the Anglican Diocese before the church was sold to the Hamilton Christian Fellowship early last year. These windows were identified in the *Reasons for Designation*, and are therefore protected under the "Intention to Designate" resolution approved by Council, 1994 May 31.
2. The Ontario Heritage Act requires that a Conservation Review Board hearing be held even though the Hamilton Christian Fellowship has no objections to designation. An objection was filed by the previous owner, the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara. The hearing commenced 1995 February 9 was adjourned (see attached letter from Conservation Review Board).





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August 15, 1995

Mr. J.J. Schatz  
City Clerk  
City of Hamilton  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L8N 3T4

Dear Mr. Schatz:

Re: Conservation Review Board  
Objection to the City of Hamilton Intention to  
Designate former St. George's Anglican Church Building  
10 Tom Street, Hamilton

On February 9th, 1995, the Board was in attendance in Hamilton for a hearing on the above property. A preliminary report is attached.

On February 22nd, 1995, in accordance with arrangements made by the Board, members of your staff and other interested parties visited the buildings to see what alterations had already occurred. The Board has subsequently received a report from the City listing the alterations and removals and noting not only the Ontario Heritage Act implications but also that a Building Permit was needed in addition to the Heritage Permit.

The Board now learns that the sale between the Diocese of Niagara and the Hamilton Christian Fellowship has occurred, but is uncertain whether the City is now working with the new owners, and if they will now become party to the continuation of the Conservation Review Board Hearing. No date is yet set for the resumption of the hearing, but should now be established. As mentioned in the attached report, structures, based on the Reasons for Designation, are protected from the moment a Council accepts a LACAC report and recommendation and issues a Notice of Intention to Designate. The Board now has two questions of the City and its LACAC.

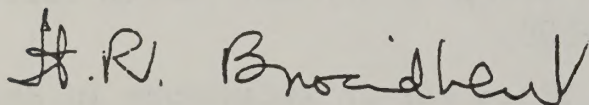
Does the LACAC continue to recommend heritage designation of these historic buildings inspite of the illegal removal and alteration of features mentioned in the Reasons for Designation?

Does this City of Hamilton intend to take any legal action as it is entitled to do in light of the removals and alterations to the subject structures already protected by the Notice of Intention to Designate?

The Board, on its part, has noted with some relief that some items remain in the building and that in the future a more enlightened owner could undertake restoration.

The City and its LACAC's response to these questions in the near future would be appreciated. A continuation of the hearing can be scheduled concurrently and our Secretary will be in contact with you.

Yours truly,



Heather R. Broadbent  
Vice-Chairman  
Conservation Review Board

c.c. The Incumbent & Church Wardens of  
St. George's Anglican Church  
The Synod of the Diocese of Niagara (via Simpson &  
Wigle Barristers & Solicitors)  
Mr. Art Zuidema, Solicitor City of Hamilton  
✓ Mr. Victor Abraham, Director of Local Planning,  
City of Hamilton LACAC





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RE: CITY OF HAMILTON - INTENTION TO DESIGNATE  
ST. GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH  
10 TOM STREET, HAMILTON, ONTARIO

Heather Broadbent, Vice-Chairman  
Nathalie Boutet, Member  
Conservation Review Board

February 9, 1995

The hearing was convened at City Hall, Room 264, City of Hamilton on February 9, 1995, pursuant to section 29(8) of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Ch. 0.18, for the purpose of reporting to the Council of the City of Hamilton whether, in the opinion of the Conservation Review Board, on the basis of the evidence heard, the property known municipally as St. George's Anglican Church, 10 Tom Street, Hamilton, should be designated by by-law under the Act.

An Objection to Designation was submitted to the municipality by Simpson, Wigle Barristers and Solicitors on behalf of the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara.

Notice of the hearing was given under the Act in the *Hamilton Spectator* newspaper on January 4, 11, and 18, 1995, by the Board, the relevant affidavit by a member of the Board's staff being Exhibit #1.

As is its custom, the Board visited the site before the hearing and noted a great deal of construction activity.

Present:

Jack Fearnley  
Jeff Sharlin  
John R. Smith

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Susan Cooke  
Archdeacon Peter B. Moore  
Tim Bullock, Solicitor, Simpson, Wigle  
Nina Chapple, Planning & Development Dept., City of Hamilton  
Ann Gillespie, Planning & Development Dept., City of Hamilton  
Art Zuidema, City Law Dept., City of Hamilton

After introductions, initial presentation of details and acceptance of Exhibit 1, City Counsel indicated that the legal representative for the Anglican Diocese of Niagara was expected to ask for an adjournment until after the anticipated sale of the building and that the City would have no objection to that request. This was then confirmed by Counsel for the Objector. However, former members of the Congregation present indicated that they would prefer that the hearing continue. At this point the Board learned that an appeal of a judicial decision that the Diocese was in a position to sell the buildings was pending.

After a brief recess, the Board decided that an adjournment to an unspecified date would be appropriate. In making this decision, the Board reminded all parties that the City of Hamilton had served Notice of Intention to Designate and the recorded features and the structures were therefore protected pending the resumption of the hearing and final decisions.

At this point the Board learned, initially from a member of the congregation, and then others, that there had already been an infraction of the Heritage Act as designated features (stained glass windows) had been removed and impacts to others had occurred. Consequently the Board arranged that the City, owners, and other interested parties would view the building at their earliest convenience and report to the Board their observations. The report (attached) was subsequently received.

The Board did not receive other comments on the report from any other listed participant.

The Board notes that the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, is in fact stronger on the subject of alterations to designated features than it is on demolition and that the City is in a position to charge the Diocese of Niagara for altering a protected building. The Board did however note that the buildings still stand and some of the spoiled features could be, in many cases, restored.

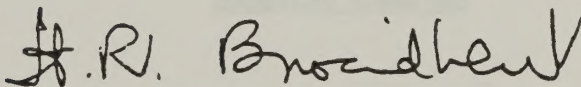


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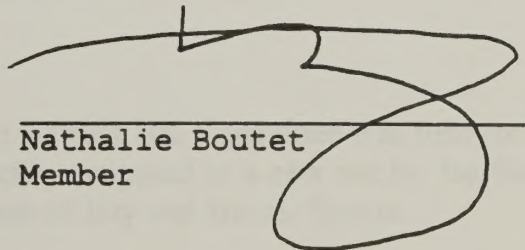
If the hearing is to be resumed this report will become an exhibit in the continuation.

Although the removal of designated features without permission is completely contrary to the Ontario Heritage Act, the Board concurs that they could belong to the religious denomination that was the first owner of the building, rather than subsequent owners. However, while the pending sale was under judicial review and appeal, and no heritage permit had been obtained, these features should not have been removed or painted. It is a direct violation of the Ontario Heritage Act.

That the hearing will continue at a mutually convenient time in the near future.



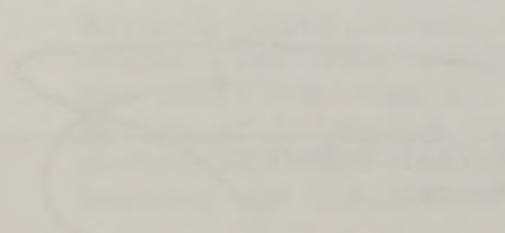
Heather Broadbent  
Vice-Chairman



Nathalie Boutet  
Member

Section 1

The first part of the report is a general statement of the purpose and scope of the study. It is followed by a description of the methods used in the study, including the selection of subjects, the design of the study, and the procedures used for data collection and analysis. The results of the study are then presented in a series of tables and figures, and are discussed in the context of the research objectives. The final part of the report is a conclusion that summarizes the findings of the study and provides recommendations for future research.

 John Doe  
Director of Research

The second part of the report is a detailed description of the methods used in the study. This includes a description of the subjects, the design of the study, and the procedures used for data collection and analysis. The methods section is organized into several sub-sections, each describing a different aspect of the study.

The third part of the report is a description of the results of the study. This section is organized into several sub-sections, each describing a different aspect of the results.

The final part of the report is a conclusion that summarizes the findings of the study and provides recommendations for future research. The conclusion is organized into several sub-sections, each describing a different aspect of the conclusion.



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## CITY OF HAMILTON

### - INFORMATION -

**DATE:** 1996 January 12

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Proposed St. Mark's Centre (former St. Mark's Anglican Church)

On January 10th a Public Meeting set up by the St. Mark's Use Committee was held for potential users of the multi-purpose community facility proposed as a new use for the former St. Mark's Anglican Church at the south-west corner of Bay and Hunter Streets.

This meeting was chaired by Alderman McCulloch, chairman of the St. Mark's Use Committee, and attended by staff representatives on this Committee from the Planning Department (Nina Chapple, Ann Gillespie) and the Culture and Recreation Department (Marilyn Havelka, Cheryl York), as well as Committee member, Helene Fallen, president of the Durand Neighbourhood Association.

The meeting was well attended by approximately 25 citizens representing a variety of visual/performing arts groups and community service organizations. These included:

- Hamilton Senior Citizens' Council
- Volunteer Centre of Hamilton and District
- Scouts Canada
- Hamilton and Region Arts Council
- Dundas Valley School of Art
- Women's Art Association of Hamilton
- Alchemist Theatre
- Royal Scottish Country Dance Society
- "The Jewel of the City" Committee

Also present were Brian Decker, proponent of the *Haunted House* fund-raising venture for children's opera and the McMaster Medical Fund, and Richard Simpson, principal of Central Public School.

Potential user groups were requested to complete the attached user survey form and submit it no later than February 16th. Feedback obtained at the meeting and from the forms submitted will then be reviewed by the St. Mark's Use Committee and a recommendation regarding the proposed facility subsequently made to the Parks and Recreation Committee).

A site visit for all potential user groups and other interested parties has been scheduled for **Saturday January 20th at 11 a.m.**

Additional information attached.



# St. Mark's Centre User Survey Form

In order to fully realize the potential of the proposed St. Mark's Centre as a *multi-purpose community facility*, it is important to obtain consistent and detailed feedback from prospective user groups. The St. Mark's Use Committee would therefore appreciate your co-operation in completing this survey form. Additional pages may be attached if the space provided under certain headings is insufficient. Alternatively, a word-processed version using the same format may be submitted.

It should be noted that the proposed centre is still in the preliminary stages of development and any final recommendations made by the St. Mark's Use Committee will depend on the response of potential user groups. It has, however, been established that no one group would have exclusive, full-time use of the building or any part of it.

Please return this form, along with a covering letter, to the Heritage Planning Group, City of Hamilton Planning and Development Department **no later than Friday, 1996 February 16.**  
Location: 7th floor, City Hall, 71 Main Street West, Hamilton L8N 3T4 FAX 546-4202  
Contact person: Ann Gillespie (546-3934).

NAME OF ORGANIZATION:

CONTACT PERSON:

ADDRESS:

TELEPHONE/ FAX NUMBERS:

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BACKGROUND ON ORGANIZATION:

(purpose, history, activities/ services, administration, existing accommodation, funding, fees charged, etc.)

PROPOSED USE OF SPACE:

(indicate type and range of activities and whether space would supplement or replace existing accommodation)

**SPACE REQUIREMENTS:**

(amount and type of space – e.g. studio, exhibit, rehearsal, performance, meeting, teaching, dining)

**FACILITY/ EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS:**

(e.g. storage, kitchen, chairs and tables, additional sinks – for art projects, audio/ visual equipment, special lighting)

**TIME REQUIREMENTS:**

(occasional/ regular use, year-round/ seasonal use, hours per week or month, specific days of week, time of day – morning/ afternoon/ evening; use needed for fixed duration of time or on a continuous basis)

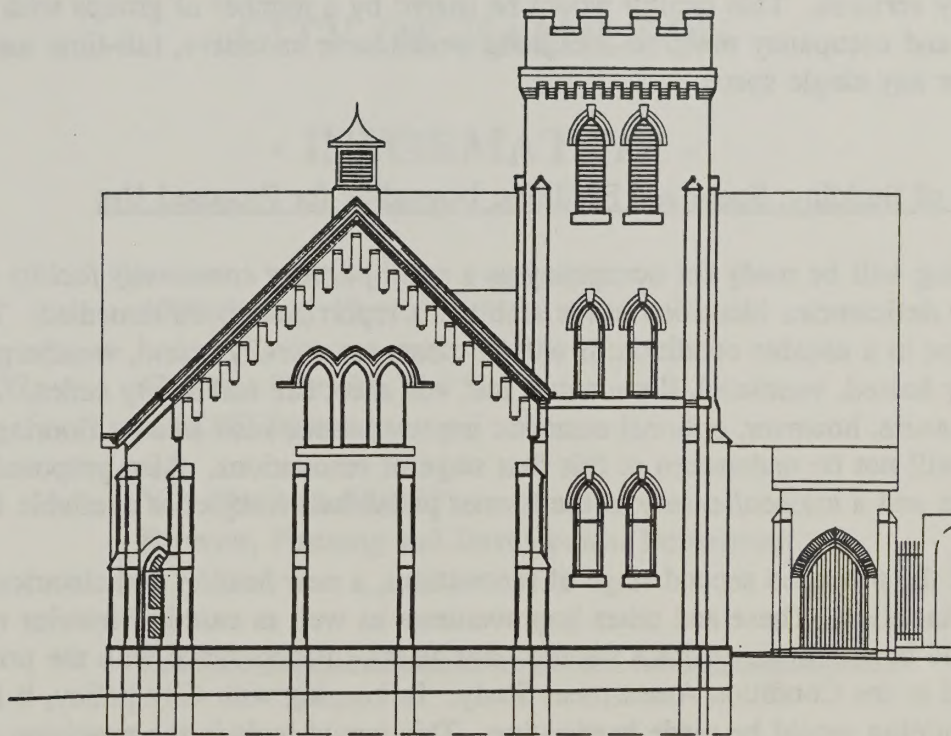
**PARKING AND DROP-OFF REQUIREMENTS:****ANTICIPATED BENEFITS TO YOUR ORGANIZATION OF ST. MARK'S CENTRE:**

(downtown location, proximity to City Hall, available space, landscaped grounds, etc.)

**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:**



**Proposed St. Mark's Centre**  
(former St. Mark's Anglican Church)  
120/130 Bay Street South



**BAY STREET ELEVATION**  
(showing possible restoration of original tower and roof cupola)  
*Alan Seymour Architect, Condition Assessment Study, October 1995*

### Background

The St. Mark's Church property at the south-west corner of Bay and Hunter Street was purchased from the Anglican Diocese by the City of Hamilton in 1994, in order to provide much needed landscaped open space in the most densely populated part of the city. The property is situated diagonally across from the rear parking area of City Hall.

The former St. Mark's Anglican Church is a one-storey, gable-roofed, brick structure designed in the Victorian Gothic style. The main sanctuary of the church was built in 1877 and extended in 1890, with the tower and Sunday school added in 1925. After 111 years of service as an Anglican church, St. Mark's was closed and disestablished in 1989. In 1995, it was designated under the *Ontario Heritage Act* (By-law No. 95-13) as a property of architectural and historical significance.

The Condition Assessment Study undertaken by *Alan Seymour Architect* concluded that the building could be readily converted to a *multi-purpose community facility* with minimum upgrades to meet Ontario Building Code requirements. It is intended that the existing *Assembly Occupancy* (OBC classification), which includes a wide spectrum of community uses and allows the building to hold up to 250 people, be maintained. Among the permitted uses are an art gallery, auditorium, day care centre, exhibition hall, lecture hall and library.



In December 1995, the St. Mark's Use Committee was formed to investigate possible new uses for the building. This Committee has agreed that the most appropriate use for the property would be a *multi-purpose community facility* to accommodate various non-profit/self-supporting organizations and volunteer groups engaged in the visual/ performing arts or community services. This facility would be shared by a number of groups with varying needs for space and occupancy time; no one group would have exclusive, full-time use of the building or any single space.

#### Condition of Building; Space and Facilities; Upgrading for Proposed Use

The building will be ready for occupancy as a *multi-purpose community facility* as soon as the *immediate* deficiencies identified in the architect's report have been remedied. The building will then be in a useable condition: it will be clean, structurally sound, weatherproofed, adequately heated, ventilated, illuminated, and will meet fire and safety codes. As a cost-saving measure, however, optional cosmetic improvements, such as new flooring and interior painting, will not be undertaken in this first stage of renovations. Also proposed are new washrooms and a kitchen/servery in the former parish hall (subject to available funding).

As part of the proposed second stage of renovations, a new heating and electrical system would be installed. These and other improvements as well as exterior/ interior restoration work would be undertaken within the next five years, in accordance with the priorities established in the Condition Assessment Study. In keeping with City policy, it is anticipated that the building would be made barrier-free. This would include the provision of two barrier-free washrooms (subject to available funding).

The building, in addition to a partial basement, provides the following spaces:

|                                                      |               |
|------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| - assembly space (former sanctuary)                  | 2,642 sq. ft. |
| - multi-purpose ancillary space (former parish hall) | 1,545 sq. ft. |
| - stage/backstage (former chancel)                   | 675 sq. ft.   |
| - office/ stage support area (former vestry)         | 159 sq. ft.   |
| - entry porch                                        | 102 sq. ft.   |
| TOTAL                                                | 5,123 sq. ft. |

There is no parking on site but there is metered parking on Hunter Street and pay parking behind City Hall. Provision may be made for passenger drop-off via the lane behind the church, accessible from Bay Street.

#### Operating Costs

Most user groups would be expected to pay a modest rental or user fee to cover operating costs (i.e. utilities and janitorial service). In order to minimize caretaking costs, each user group would also be expected to fulfil certain housekeeping obligations.



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## CITY OF HAMILTON

### - INFORMATION -

**DATE:** 1996 January 12

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Victoria Hall/ MacKay Building - Ad Hoc Committee

As recommended by CAPIC and approved by LACAC in December 1995, an Ad Hoc Committee is being formed to develop an economically viable plan for the preservation and adaptive re-use of these two adjoining buildings (66-68 King Street East).

The Ad Hoc Committee will comprise members of CAPIC and LACAC, staff and other interested parties. To date, the Committee consists of two CAPIC members (Gil Simmons, Scott Maltman), two LACAC members (John Mokrycke, Rob Hamilton), with staff support provided by the Planning and Development Department. Additional members are welcome, especially individuals with experience in the construction/ development/ real estate fields.

**NOTE:** Victoria Hall is designated under the Ontario Heritage Act and has also been declared a National Historic Site. The MacKay Building is eligible for designation under the Ontario Heritage Act.





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## CITY OF HAMILTON

### - INFORMATION -

**DATE:** 1996 January 12

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Burlington Canal Lighthouse and Lightkeeper's House  
- designation status

At its meeting held 1995 November 13, LACAC approved an "Intention to Designate" recommendation, to be withheld for a month in order to give the current owner, Public Works Canada, sufficient time to respond to the proposed designation. In a recent telephone conversation, Public Works Canada advised Heritage Planning staff that they appreciated being informed of LACAC's initiative and no objections were raised at this time.

**NOTE:** While the regulations of the Ontario Heritage Act would not apply while the property remains in federal ownership, designating this building complex at the present time would provide some measure of protection in the event that they are officially declared surplus by Public Works Canada and offered for sale.

The lighthouse alone has been identified by the Federal Heritage Buildings Review Office as a "*recognized*" federal heritage building. Public Works Canada would therefore have to consult with this office before selling or making any alterations to the lighthouse.

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# CITY OF HAMILTON

## EXHIBIT

1990 January 12  
Clerks' Office  
100 King Street West  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L8N 3Z5

Hamilton City Council  
City Hall  
100 King Street West  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L8N 3Z5

Re: Request for information regarding the City of Hamilton's policy on the use of public funds for the promotion of the City of Hamilton's tourism industry. The City of Hamilton has a long history of promoting tourism and has a variety of programs and services in place to attract visitors to the City. The City of Hamilton's tourism industry is a major source of revenue for the City and is an important part of the City's economy. The City of Hamilton's tourism industry is a major source of revenue for the City and is an important part of the City's economy.

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5a)

Tuesday, 1995 November 14  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 264, City Hall

**The Hamilton Historical Board met:**

**There were present:** David Beland, Chairperson  
Walter Peace, Vice-Chairperson  
Alderman Wm. McCulloch  
Alderman Bernie Morelli  
Gordon Birk  
David Cuming  
Brian Henley  
Stephen Kostyshyn  
Carolyn McCann  
Joyce Newman  
Victoria Reiding  
Claire Riddell

**Absent with Regrets:** Dennis Missett

**Also Present:** Ross L. Fair, Director of Culture & Recreation Department  
Marilynn Havelka, Manager, Cultural Services  
David Adames, Culture & Recreation Department  
Bill Nesbitt, Curator, Dundurn Castle  
Christine Lowarts, Children's Museum  
John Triggs, Archaeologist  
Crystabelle Fobler, Acting Secretary

**1. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS**

David Beland, Chairperson, welcomed everyone to the Hamilton Historical Board meeting and apologized for the small meeting room (Room 264). The meeting was originally booked for Room 233; however an OMB Hearing took precedence over the Board meeting.

Mr. Beland explained to the Board members that Marilynn Havelka had some announcements to make.

Ms. Havelka notified the Board that two people were recently hired in the positions of Curator and Education Officer at the Children's Museum. Christine Lowartz, Education Officer was present at the Board Meeting and Marilynn introduced Christine to the members, explaining Christine's background and noting that she has a teacher's certificate for primary education.

**2. PRESENTATIONS**

**(a) Video - Installation of Cupola and Lightning Mast at Dundurn**

David Beland introduced Dave Adames from the Culture and Recreation Department and Bill Nesbitt, Curator, Dundurn Castle. Dave and Bill provided the commentary on the video showing the installation of the cupola and lightning mast.

The video was taken on 1995 October 28 when the reconstructed cupola and lightning rod were installed in the Dovecote at Dundurn Castle. The event was witnessed by many local citizens as well as members of the Hamilton Historical Board, City staff, media and a few Aldermen.



Following their informative presentation, the Chairperson thanked Dave and Bill for their time and efforts.

**(b) Video - Military Museum - Remembrance Day - Channel 11**

Marilynn explained that Channel 11 News sent their sportscaster Paul Hendrick to the Military Museum on November 10, 1995 to conduct the sports and weather reports from the museum.

**(c) Presentation - Archaeology - Summary - Dundurn Restoration Project**

Marilynn Havelka introduced Mr. John Triggs to Board members and advised that archaeology at Dundurn was not a new thing, excavations had been undertaken at Dundurn as early as the 1830's when British Army officers unearthed a native burial mound. More recent digs have included salvage work by McMaster University students during the construction of the parking lot, and two high school level field schools conducted by Doug Crane.

Mr. Triggs was hired on contract in 1991 and has directed the Archaeological component of Phases I and II of the Restoration Project. The project has been augmented by dozens of volunteers, co-op students and interns, various grant programmes and four University level field schools sponsored by McMaster University.

Archaeological techniques included visual surveys, documentary research, core sampling and full excavation. The full foundations at the Castle, kitchen, courtyard and tunnel, Cockpit, and some interior basement areas as well have been tested. Over the course of five years a good cross section of the property has been tested and yielded material and information found from every period of human history since about 9000 B.C.

John Triggs had brought with him a slide presentation which covers the period from the Fall of 1994 to August 1995. He advised that they began excavation in the Fall inside the stables, working throughout the winter months. The stables were built in the 1870's and are referred to as the McKinnes Stables. The concrete floors of the stable had to be broken and then excavation began. Another wall was found and Mr. Triggs is certain it is the remnants of the MacNab Building which was built at least by the 1850's or even earlier. He knows there are buildings there from 1851 and as early as 1837. Mr. Triggs also had a crew working inside the Castle in the tunnels. The tunnels were used for cold storage, and folklore has it that there is a continuation of the tunnels beyond the wall. Mr. Triggs, however, found no evidence of this.

In the Spring of 1995, evidence of a road (original surface orientation) from approximately 1850, was found in front of the cockpit.

The crew also worked along the circular wall of the Castle, behind the restoration activity. In this location, excavation had to be carried out by hand where prehistoric property dating back to 1000 to 2500 A.D. and some as early as 8000 B.C.

Over three feet of dirt was excavated from the stable yard by the crew who were looking for evidence of the north wall; however, no evidence that such a wall existed was found.

There is documented evidence that there once was a building at the base of Burlington Heights; approximately 17 students worked this year in this area for six weeks and excavated over two metres of dirt, evidence of at least three structures



were found, including: the corner of a building, floor supports, etc., as well as trading beads, a seal stamp with the impression of the maker and shipper, flints, 1779 coins and trade rings. These items appear to provide conclusive evidence that Beasley was in fact involved in the fur trade as was theorized.

The crew also found a cufflink with the initials EGB and are in the process of assessing to whom the cufflink belongs. The initials could stand for "Edward George Beasley".

Following the slide presentation, the Chairperson thanked Mr. Triggs on behalf of the Historical Board and advised Mr. Triggs that his work has greatly enhanced the knowledge of Dundurn Castle.

### 3. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held 1995 October 17 were adopted subject to the following amendments: (Henley/Birk)

Brian Henley's name to be added to the "There were present" list.

"Clair Riddell" - name is spelt wrong - amend as follows: "Claire"

"Steven Kostyshyn" - name is spelt wrong - amend as follows: "Stephen"

### 4. DIRECTOR OF CULTURE AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

#### (a) The Children's Museum Re-Development (Added Item)

Marilynn Havelka provided the Board with an in-depth review of the proposed re-development of the Children's Museum.

The Children's Museum opened in 1978 at its present location in Gage Park with an anticipated audience of 7,000 annually. The attendance over the years has grown to an average of 30,000 visitors annually. Space is limited at the current facility which allows for only 44 visitors at any time.

A long range plan completed by an external consultant Lord Cultural Resources Inc. (1990) and augmented by two studies (Jones, 1992, Castle/Pankowski, 1993) confirmed the need for an expanded facility to meet current user needs.

Marilynn explained that the Children's Museum has proven its success in Gage Park, and an expanded museum in this location would make it possible to develop the existing audience that has been built up over the past 17 years. This recommendation was brought forward to allow the Culture & Recreation Department to obtain a clearer vision of the future of the Children's Museum. Staff should be made aware of the citing, sizes, goals, programme objectives, etc. The Culture & Recreation Department is looking for answers to questions such as, what is the Children's Museum going to achieve in the future, and how is it going to accomplish its goals.

The Board discussed this matter at great length and approved the following recommendation: (Henley McCann)

"That the Culture & Recreation Department (Cultural Division) be authorized to explore the current location and other potential locations within Gage Park, for an expanded Children's Museum in consultation with relevant stakeholder groups, including but not limited to the Hamilton Historical Board, the Friends of the Children's Museum, the Friends of Gage Park and Parks and Planning Staff."

**5. MANAGER OF CULTURAL SERVICES**

Marilynn Havelka apprised the Board members on the following issues:

- (a) **Volunteer Appreciation Night**
- (b) **Donation - United Empire Loyalist**

At the Parks and Recreation Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, 1995 November 21, the United Empire Loyalist will be presenting a cheque in the amount of \$2,000. for the Dundurn Restoration Project; money was specifically donated for the Cockpit Building.

Next summer, after restoration of the Cockpit Building is complete, a reception will be held in honour of the United Empire Loyalist.

Marilynn noted a special thanks to Bill Nesbitt for this donation as Bill has been conducting several outreach talks on the Dundurn Restoration Project and the United Empire Loyalist donation was a direct result of Bill's efforts.

- (c) **Ontario Museums Association, Timmins, ON**

Marilynn attended the Conference along with Bill Nesbitt, and reported that the main focus of the Conference was on new technology and getting on the Internet.

**6. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- (a) **Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee - Gordon Birk**

- (i) **Heritage Plaquing Programme - New Plaque Category**

After some discussion on this item, the Board approved the following recommendation: (Birk/Reiding)

- (a) "That the guidelines for plaquing for the City's Heritage Plaquing Programme approved by Council in 8 August 1990 be amended to include a new third category for non-designated buildings which are located on the Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and Historical Interest;
    - (b) LACAC had approved the addition of a third category plaque at its meeting of 1995 November 13."

- (ii) **International Village BIA Plaques**

The Board approved the following recommendation: (Birk/Peace)

"That the following seven International Village B.I.A. plaques for listed, non-designated buildings, paid for through the B.I.A. and within the criteria established by the Plaquing Policy be approved":



|                |                  |                  |
|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| THE COPP BLOCK | 219-255          | HAMILTON BOWLING |
|                | KING STREET EAST | &                |
|                |                  | ATHLETIC CLUB    |

|                        |                          |      |
|------------------------|--------------------------|------|
| Built for Anthony Copp | Built for Robert Young,  | 1908 |
| Stove Manufacturer     | Plumber and Iron Founder |      |
| 1881                   | 1882                     |      |

|                |                  |             |
|----------------|------------------|-------------|
| TERMINAL HOTEL | 310-314          | 320         |
|                | KING STREET EAST | KING STREET |
|                |                  | EAST        |

|                      |                         |                |
|----------------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| Built for James P.   | Built for R.A. Pilgrim  | Built for      |
| Mullen - Hotelkeeper | Soda Water Manufacturer | Wm. Gilmour    |
| 1908                 | 1865                    | Butcher - 1891 |

315-321  
KING STREET EAST  
Architects: Stewart & Witton  
1908

(iii) **Commemorative Plaque - Gore Park/Gore Park Fountain Plaque**

The Board discussed this item and approved the following recommendation: (Birk/Peace)

"That a two-sided plaque commemorating the historical significance of Gore Park and the Gore Park Fountain be initiated and later installed in Gore Park; and,

That the appropriate plaque wording be forwarded to Parks & Recreation Committee at a future date; and,

For approval and the cost for the plaque be charged to the plaque account CH55976-71505".

(b) **Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum - Carolyn McCann (no copy)**

Carolyn McCann informed the Board that the Museum is in the midst of discussion ways to raise funds for the Museum. They are experiencing some difficulty in providing tax receipts, specifically for gifts in kind. Marilynn Havelka will provide the Children's Museum access to her charitable numbers.

(c) **West Harbourfront Development Study Technical Advisory Committee - Joyce Newman**

Since there have been no meetings in the past few weeks, Joyce Newman had very little to report. She did receive a letter advising that there were no other meetings planned. However, in light of the archaeological findings by the Waterfront, Ms. Newman was of the opinion that the Board should make its concerns known, particularly about the proposed amusement park, (that this proposal is completely unacceptable given the historical nature of the surrounding land).

Marilynn explained to Board members that she has been in contact with the Parks Division and will be providing some comments regarding the Study.

Much discussion ensued regarding the direction the Board will take regarding the Study.

David Cuming expressed his concern with the proposed "Heritage Disney World" and is of the opinion that the Board's views must be expressed, as this is a very important study.

Walter Peace, on the other hand felt that the Committee should be proactive not reactive to this situation.

The Board approved the following directive: (Newman/Reiding)

"That the Manager of Cultural Services (Marilynn Havelka) be directed to respond to the Parks Division on the Hamilton Historical Board's position regarding the West Harbourfront Development Study Technical Advisory Committee Report".

- (d) **Long Term Management Plan - Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology -David Cuming - (No Copy)**

Since there have not been any meetings scheduled, Mr. Cuming had no report.

- (e) **Military Museum Long Range Plan - Victoria Reiding - (No Copy)**

Ms. Reiding advised the Board that she missed the last meeting of the Military Museum, but was able to provide a brief update.

- (f) **Arts Awareness Commission - Claire Riddell - (No Copy)**

Ms. Riddell advised the Board that the Arts Commission have been meeting since September, but have not chosen a Chairperson, rather, the Commission has had a revolving Chair for each meeting, as per the direction of Art Awareness Commission member, Alderman Marvin Caplan.

Ms. Riddell pointed out that the Sesquicentennial Public Arts Competition was rejected by City Council.

- (g) **LACAC - Brian Henley - (No Copy)**

Brian advised the Board that LACAC had approved the recommendations for new plaque categories at its meeting on 1995 November 13.

Also, thanks in part to the efforts of Alderman McCulloch, St. Mark's Church will be put to positive use by several community groups.

Brian also advised the Board that there was nothing further to report on the Victoria Hall/McKay Building.

A recommendation regarding the Burlington Lighthouse was approved and put on hold for a month or two to allow staff some time to pursue the designation issue with the owners.

The main focus of the LACAC meeting was directed towards the Lister Block, specifically the long term future use of the buildings.

Brian also reported that the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee was told that a movie production company will be renting the CN Station site for a major motion picture which stars Geena Davis and Samuel L. Jackson. The big-



budget production will involve some cosmetic work to the station including minor repairs and painting. LACAC will be involved to ensure that the paint used will not damage the facility.

7. **OTHER BUSINESS**

(a) **Ontario Heritage Foundation**

Walter Peace requested information regarding properties being donated. Marilyn Havelka to provide the requested information. After receipt of this information, a meeting of the Sub-Committees will be organized.

(b) **Dennis Missett**

Since this would have been the last meeting Dennis Missett would have attended, the Secretary was directed to send a letter of thanks to Mr. Missett for his many years of volunteer service.

(c) **Dundurn Castle Cockpit and Aviary - David Cuming**

Mr. Cuming distributed copies of his recommendation regarding the subject matter to Board members.

The Board discussed this issue at great length and approved the following recommendation: (Cuming/Newman)

"That the Board respectfully advise the Parks and Recreation Committee of the following:

- (i) the temporary housing of the birds from the Dundurn Aviary be extended at their present location or at a new temporary location (other than that of Dundurn Castle) until a new permanent site is found for the Aviary,
- (ii) that permission be given to the Director of Culture & Recreation to authorize the removal of aviary cages and associated facilities from Dundurn Castle at the earliest opportunity to ensure that the restoration of the Castle and the Dovecote are not compromised any further; and,
- (iii) that the volunteers involved with care of the Aviary and birds be advised of the Board's concerns and that they continue to be actively consulted in the search for a new aviary location."

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business the Board agreed with the motion to adjourn: (Peace/Birk)

Taken as read and approved,

DAVID BELAND, CHAIRPERSON  
HAMILTON HISTORICAL BOARD

Crystabelle B. Fobler  
Acting Secretary  
Hamilton Historical Board





Tuesday, 1995 December 12  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 219, City Hall

**The Hamilton Historical Board met:**

**There were present:**

David Beland, Chairperson  
Walter Peace, Vice-Chairperson  
Alderman Wm. McCulloch  
Alderman Bernie Morelli  
Gordon Birk  
David Cuming  
Brian Henley  
Stephen Kostyshyn  
Carolyn McCann  
Joyce Newman  
Victoria Reiding  
Claire Riddell

**Also present:**

Ross L. Fair, Director of Culture & Recreation  
Ania Latoszek, Culture & Recreation Department  
Dr. Robert Storey  
Renee Johnston  
Juliet Janc So  
Crystabelle Fobler, Acting Secretary

**1. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS**

The Chairperson called the meeting to order and asked members to sign a card to Mr. Dennis Missett, thanking him for all the assistance he has given the Board.

Mr. Fair, Director of Culture and Recreation, thanked the Board on behalf of Marilynn Havelka and wished everyone all the Best for the Holiday Season.

**2. PRESENTATION**

**Update on the Ontario Workers Arts and Heritage Centre - Dr. Robert Storey, Renee Johnston, Program Co-ordinator and Juliet Janc So**

Dr. Storey provided a very informative report on the renovations underway at the Workers Heritage Centre. He explained that funding is in place, and they are proceeding accordingly. The firm of McCallum Mokrycke Sather Architects have been selected to begin major renovations to the Historic Custom House in north-end Hamilton and it is hoped that work will be completed by Labour Day, 1996.

Members of the Board queried Dr. Storey on the financial aspects of the project, whether or not they anticipate any requirement for the City to support the program. However, Dr. Storey explained that a signed contract with the City of Hamilton stipulates very clearly that no money will be forthcoming from the City of Hamilton, they will, however, be looking to the Federal Government for support if need be.

Dr. Storey further explained there are some potential leases being negotiated with several Archival/Historical groups. As well, in response to Carolyn McCann's question of whether or not the group anticipates programs for Children, Dr. Storey reported that plans are in the works for a walking tour of the project, combined with maps, audio/visuals, looking at ways to interact with children.

Mr. Beland thank Dr. Storey for taking the time to speak to the Hamilton Historical Board and advised that the Board is looking forward to touring the project in the new year.

### 3. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held 1995 November 14 were adopted subject to the following amendments: (Peace/Reiding)

Page 2: "McKinnes Stables" - should be amended to read "McLuness Stables"

Page 4: "United Empire Loyalist" - should be amended to read "United Empire Loyalists"

Page 4: - Item 6 (a)(i)(b) - Should be amended to read: "For the information of the Hamilton Historical Board, LACAC had approved the addition of a third category plaque at its meeting of 1995 November 13"

Page 5: Item 6 (c) - West Harbourfront Development Study  
"...the Board should make its concerns known, particularly about the proposed amusement park..." amend to read:

"...the Board should make its concerns known, particularly about the amusement park flavour to the proposed historic district..."

### 4. MANAGER OF CULTURAL SERVICES

In Marilyn Havelka's absence, Ania Latoszek provided the Board with the following update:

- Church of the Ascension Plaque has been ordered
- Dovecote - Designs - the Board will be provided with an opportunity to review the designs - this item will be placed on the agenda for the January meeting.

### 5. (a) **Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee - Gordon Birk** (i) **Gore Park/Gore Park Fountain Plaque Wording**

Mr. Birk provided the Board with the proposed wording for the double-sided plaque to be unveiled next year for the approval of the Board.

After some discussion the following motion was adopted subsequent to the following changes: (Birk/Henley)

Verification of the date in which the Town of Hamilton was officially created

Gore Park - 2nd Paragraph: - add "Street" after "James"  
" " - add "Street" after "Hughson"

The Gore Park Fountain: 1st. Paragraph - delete "come to Hamilton" -  
change to "visit Hamilton"

### (a) (ii) **Heritage Day**

Mr. Birk advised the Board that Heritage Day is scheduled for February 19, 1996 and that the program was almost completed. Dr. T.M. Bailey will be the Keynote Speaker and special mention will be given to Lily Oddi and David Christopherson. As well, honourable mention to Dennis Missett and David Beland for their work on the Fountain Foundation. Special guests at the Heritage Day ceremonies will be Vincenza Travale and Milt Lewis, Co-chairs of the Sesquicentennial Committee. The Commemorative Plaque will be the



double-sided Gore Park/Gore Park Fountain. Designated Property Plaque - Church of the Ascension. Third Category Plaques will be the seven building listed in the minutes from 1995 November 14.

**(b) Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum - Carolyn McCann**

Ms. McCann had nothing report at this time, as there were no meetings.

**(c) West Harbourfront Development Study Technical Advisory Committee - Joyce Newman**

Ms. Newman advised the Board that since Parks and Recreation Committee voted to accept the concept plan, the work of the West Harbourfront Development Study Technical Advisory Committee is in essence completed and the Committee disbanded.

Marilynn Havelka did send a letter to the Parks Division, Mr. Bob Chrystian, explaining Hamilton Historical Board concerns regarding the highly sensitive historic features.

Discussion ensued regarding the feasibility of the West Harbourfront plan being developed.

**(d) Military Museum - Long Range Plan - Victoria Reiding**

Ms. Reiding explained that the Committee is working on exhibitions for next year, they are in the draft stage.

**(e) L.A.C.A.C - Brian Henley**

CN Station - Mr. Henley noted that discussions surrounding the CN Station was the main focus of the LACAC meeting, it was recommended that since the Production Company will be heating the station for the duration of shooting of the movie that they continue to heat the building as the lack of heat was causing severe damage. Following the LACAC meeting there was a tour of the CN Station.

St. Mark's - request for designation to include stained glass windows - request was received for a stained glass window - St. Mark's Committee to meet to develop policy for the windows to be used for other future projects. As well, a meeting was set up to discuss potential uses for St. Mark's - i.e., Non-Profit groups

James Street Mountain Road Project - conflict between the staff proposal to widen James Street Mountain Road and public opinion to upgrade but respect the width and historic access of the road.

Victoria Hall - Discussion centred around positive resolutions to save both the facade and/or the buildings - CAPIC has expressed an interest in working on this project. As well Heritage Hamilton delivered a letter to City Council regarding this matter.

Design Charette - Area architects have proposed a design charette - look at area buildings and propose renovations and positive uses.

Lister Block - Update on potential uses - i.e., student housing

Hamilton GO - January 16, 1996 estimated completion date - actual opening scheduled for March 1, 1996

Right House - proposed canopies - Committee agreed didn't distract from building

6. ACTING SECRETARY, HAMILTON HISTORICAL BOARD

The Board was in receipt of a recommendation from the Acting Secretary of the Hamilton Historical Board regarding Schedule of Meetings for 1996. The Board approved the recommendation subject to the following amendments: (Henley/Peace)

January 9, 1996 meeting to be changed to January 16, 1995

December 10, 1996 meeting - request to change to December 17, 1996. However, Acting Secretary to report back as date may conflict with Parks and Recreation meeting and/or City Council.

Members will receive revised schedule in the mail.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Walter Peace advised the Committee that Bruce Duncan from the Regional Conservation Authority has a draft report of the Archaeological survey. Mr. Duncan will be invited to a future Board meeting to present his report.
- (b) Policy on Donated Properties - discussion ensued regarding this item, Board members agreed to set up a special meeting prior to the next Hamilton Historical Board meeting - to review the summary prepared by Marilyn Havelka and draft policy.
- (c) Alderman McCulloch advised the Board that the National Geographic Society would like to do a follow up story to their documentary 10 years ago on the Hamilton-Scourge. The National Geographic Society would like to send a team of divers down to review the interior. The National Geographic Society would fund this expedition and would like to do it in 1996.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the Hamilton Historical Board agreed with the motion to adjourn: (Peace/Birk)

Taken as read and approved,

David Beland, Chairperson  
Hamilton Historical Board

Crystabelle B. Fobler, Acting Secretary  
Hamilton Historical Board





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## CENTRAL AREA PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

a Subcommittee of the Planning and Development Committee

c/o CITY HALL, 71 MAIN STREET WEST, HAMILTON, ONTARIO, L8N 3T4

### MINUTES

#### CENTRAL AREA PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

City Hall, Room 233

Friday, December 8, 1995

#### MEMBERS ATTENDING

Russell Elman - Chairperson

Gil Simmons

Art Lomax

Gerry Kennedy

Ron Faichney

James Wilson

Paul Ortmann

John Eyles

Greg Fraleigh

Durand Neighbourhood Association

North End Neighbourhoods

Hamilton Automobile Club

Metropolitan Hamilton Real Estate Board

Senior Citizens Council

Senior Citizens Council

Stinson Community Association

McMaster University

Citizen-at-Large

#### REGRETS

Alderman Caplan

Mary Pocius - Vice Chair (Interim)

Karen Wood

Graeme McTaggart

Rick Lintack

Scott Maltman

Sherry Wang

Vladimir Matus

Alderman, Ward 1

International Village BIA

Physically Disabled Committee

Downtown Hamilton BIA

Hamilton Society of Architects

Corktown Neighbourhood Association

Citizen-at-Large

Planning Department

#### STAFF AND OTHERS

Alderman McCulloch

Ann Gillespie

Vanessa Grupe - Coordinator

Alderman, Ward 2

Planning Department

Planning Department



1. Chairperson's Remarks

Russell Elman opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. by welcoming those present, and noting the regrets received for the meeting.

2. Minutes of November 10, 1995 CAPIC Meeting

Greg Fraleigh will present his brief on parking in the core to the Downtown Development Corporation, after which he will bring it to CAPIC. There was discussion about the action plan, as noted later. **Motion:** It was moved by John Eyles, seconded by Art Lomax, that the minutes of the November 8, 1995 CAPIC meeting be adopted. **Carried.**

3. Urban Design

a) Report of Sub-Committee

Vanessa Grupe and members reported on the two meetings of the Sub-Committee which have been held to date. There was discussion on several actions:

- Meeting of Urban Design staff from various municipalities - This would be held to exchange approaches and success stories on design issues of common interest. Members of citizen advisory groups will be invited to attend as observers. It was felt by most that such a meeting would be useful, although it was felt that Hamilton planning staff should also develop their own solutions to design issues.
- Urban Design Awards in Mississauga - Vanessa reported on these awards.

b) Victoria Hall and MacKay Building

There was discussion about these buildings, and members expressed concerns about the threatened demolition of this National Historic Site. Alderman McCulloch and Ann Gillespie of LACAC staff were present to provide information on this matter:

- Victoria Hall is designated under the Heritage Act, and the related 180 day period for protection from demolition has expired. However, the City of Hamilton Act Bill PR140 is in effect, applying demolition control to all designated buildings in the City. Owners must submit plans and complete work within 2 years. No plans have been submitted yet for any new development;
- The character of any new building cannot be controlled by existing legislation;
- LACAC strongly opposes de-designation of the building, which has been requested by the owner;
- The City has assessed the market value of the two buildings to be around \$350,000, not the \$475,000 asked by the owner. It was felt the cost of needed renovations was greatly inflated during discussions;
- Preservation of only the facade is one possibility. The owner wants to sell the whole building, not just the facade. A heritage study for the Gore Park area is currently in progress. Approaches such as tax relief are being evaluated. <
- Possible uses (eg. offices for tourist bureau; lawyers; architects) were discussed.



The two motions passed at the November 10, 1995 meeting of CAPIC were reconfirmed. These related to the importance of preserving these buildings; and the assistance to be offered by CAPIC members in generating solutions and mobilizing public support for preservation of the buildings.

Due to the extent of concerns expressed, and the desire to take action, it was suggested by Alderman McCulloch that an ad-hoc committee be established, consisting of members of LACAC, CAPIC, staff and other interested parties, to address this matter by identifying and carrying out actions to help preserve these unique heritage buildings. Gil Simmons and Scott Maltman (in his absence) were recommended as CAPIC members for this ad-hoc committee. This is to be forwarded to the December 11, 1995 meeting of LACAC.

The above motions and comments will be forwarded to Planning and Development Committee in January. By that time, there may also be some concrete solutions for preservation and uses for the building. To have the matter re-introduced at Council would require that someone who voted against the matter bring it forward. The bottom line was felt to be finding an economically viable use for these buildings. It was noted LACAC has a computer image showing what the Gore would look like, if these buildings were to be demolished and the site left vacant.

#### 4. GO Transit - Status and Plans

Vanessa Grupe had included in the agenda package a status report had been provided by Bob Boyle of GO Transit. Although the official opening date for the GO Station is in January, the actual opening date will likely be in March or April, based on the status of the work. A better estimate of the opening date should be available by early January. There was discussion concerning the official opening ceremonies, which it was felt should be held at a time of day when members of the public can attend.

As requested, staff had received site plan and floor plans of the station from study consultants, which were shown to those present. It was asked that a presentation of the station plans be deferred to the January meeting of CAPIC, due to the members absent from this meeting, and also since study staff were unavailable for this meeting. Issues of interest included provisions for the physically disabled access to and within station.

Gil Simmons noted that the Advisory Committee on GO Transit has not met for some time. She felt the members should be kept informed as to the status of the GO Transit station renovations and related work, and should be told why the committee has not met. Russell Elman suggested the Advisory Committee may be able to address issues such as safety; leasing of shops in the GO Centre; impact on the environment; etc. It was suggested the committee members could be invited to attend CAPIC when the GO Transit staff or consultants present the plans for the GO Station. The GO Area Study was also discussed, and it was asked that staff update members of CAPIC and the Advisory Committee on GO Transit about the status of this study.



**Motion:** Moved by Gil Simmons, seconded by John Eyles, that the GO Transit Advisory Committee meet early in 1996, to review status of GO Station and related work. **Carried.**

## 5. CAPIC Goals, Priorities and Actions

There was discussion on several areas noted below. It was asked that staff prepare a one page summary of the Goals and Actions for 1996, as discussed at recent meetings. It was noted implementation of the Central Area Plan should be the main focus of CAPIC.

- a) Economics of Downtown - John Eyles has set up a meeting with economist Peter George and Gil Simmons, for December 18. He will report back at the next meeting.
- b) Parking in Downtown - As noted earlier, Greg Fraleigh will present his brief on parking in the core first to the D.C.D.C., after which he will bring this to CAPIC.
- c) Downtown Revitalization - It was asked by Gil Simmons whether CAPIC would be taking a position on this issue, or leave it to the D.C.D.C. This matter is to be discussed further, and it is anticipated CAPIC will take a position on specific matters as they arise.
- d) Review of Central Area Plan / Official Plan - Vanessa Grupe provided a summary of the process for the O.P. Review. There are a series of brochures being prepared for each issue area, which will form the basis for the first series of public consultation. These brochures, which are intended to raise issues and invite comment, will cover Housing, Industry, Central Area, Transportation, etc. Art Lomax suggested that the brochures dealing with the Central Area be brought to CAPIC, prior to being finalized, in order that CAPIC might comment on the issues and directions identified. Gil, Russell, and others agreed. Vanessa will convey this to Planning staff. It was also asked that a process flowchart be provided, indicating how CAPIC is to be involved in the O.P. Review.
- e) Administrative Matters - The list of CAPIC meeting dates for 1996, which was included in the agenda package, was pointed out to members, so that they can reserve these dates. There had been no further nominations for chair and vice-chair. Art Lomax suggested that the committee adopt the status quo in this regard for the coming year.

## 6. Status Reports

- a) West Harbourfront Development Study - A final report on the study has been released, and the study is in the process of being taken forward to the Parks and Recreation Committee and Council for approval. The relocation of the CN Yard to Aldershot remains a contentious issue.
- b) Downtown Development Corporation - The D.C.D.C. is working on plans for the one day forum with a facilitator to identify focus and future directions, and build consensus. The next meeting is in January.



- c) Regional Transportation Review - Vanessa noted that various City Departments had met to develop a joint position on this Regional study. A report is to be taken forward to the Transport and Environment Committee in December.
- d) CN Station - As noted in the December 11 LACAC agenda (portions distributed), the station will be used for a movie location. Long-term use is still under review.
- e) Planning Legislation - There was discussion about the changes to Provincial planning legislation, which is still in flux, as well as other legislative changes. Staff were asked to provide an update on this matter as it relates to planning at the next meeting.
- f) Lister Building - Ann Gillespie noted that the hearing on this building has been postponed, and will not be held December 13, 1995. The Mayor is meeting with representatives of various educational institutions, about using the building for student housing.

#### 7. Other Business

Paul Ortmann noted an item on the recent Planning and Development Committee agenda regarding a house in Westdale which was to be torn down. He asked that information on this matter be brought forward to the next meetings of CAPIC and the Urban Design sub-committee for discussion. He has concerns from the viewpoints of neighbourhood impact and urban design.

#### 8. Members Reports

- a) Ron Faichney again noted his concern about boarded-up buildings in the core. He said the building on the north-west corner of James and Cannon very bad and would be better torn down. The Lister Building looks better. This matter should be referred to the Urban Design sub-committee, to review how to maintain boarded-up buildings. The Building Dept. should also be asked about Property Standards. The underlying problem is vacant stores. Ron Faichney also noted the vacant second level of Jackson Square, which he suggested could be used for seniors to play cards. Staff will follow up.

- b) James Mountain Road, St. Marks Church and Thistle Club - status information requested.

#### 9. Next Meeting The next regular CAPIC meeting is scheduled for January 12, 1996.

#### 10. Adjournment It was moved to adjourn at 12:00 p.m.

1. The first part of the report deals with the general situation of the country and the results of the survey.

2. The second part of the report deals with the results of the survey in the different regions.

3. The third part of the report deals with the results of the survey in the different districts.

4. The fourth part of the report deals with the results of the survey in the different villages.

5. The fifth part of the report deals with the results of the survey in the different farms.

6. The sixth part of the report deals with the results of the survey in the different households.

7. The seventh part of the report deals with the results of the survey in the different families.

8. The eighth part of the report deals with the results of the survey in the different groups.

9. The ninth part of the report deals with the results of the survey in the different communities.

10. The tenth part of the report deals with the results of the survey in the different societies.

11. The eleventh part of the report deals with the results of the survey in the different organizations.

12. The twelfth part of the report deals with the results of the survey in the different institutions.



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Monday, 1995 November 13th  
5:00 o'clock p.m.  
Room 233, City Hall

The Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee met.

There were present:

- Milt Lewis, Co-Chair
- Vincenza Travale, Co-Chair
- Carmen Rizzotto
- Alderman M. Caplan
- Dr. John Johnston
- Dennis Missett
- Brian Henley
- Terry Mote
- Dr. David Richardson
- Bill McBride
- John Dismore
- Vito Sgro
- Irene Stayshyn
- Pat Amos
- Mervin Brownlee
- Mark Ekebrecht
- Evelyn Myrie
- John Syko

Also present:

- Wanda Dzierzbicki
- Kim Scott
- David Adames
- Shane Thomson
- Elana James
- Susan K. Reeder

Regrets:

- Shelley Merlo-Orzel
- Trish Simmons
- Vera Papadopoulos
- Michael Eng
- Daniel Charles
- David Ricketts
- Les Pasis

### A G E N D A

Dr. Johnston opened the meeting with text contained in the First Night Worship entitled "New Year Meditations".

The Sesquicentennial Song, written and recorded by Jude Johnson, was played for the Advisory Committee meeting. Those in attendance were very impressed and excited with the song.

1. Minutes of the meeting held Monday, 1995 October 16th

The Committee was in receipt of the minutes of its meeting held Monday, 1995 October 16th. A few amendments were made, and the Committee then approved the minutes as amended.

2. Co-Chairs Reports and Agenda

Shawinigan Twinning Project

Milt Lewis spoke to the Committee about his recent attendance at the Montreal Unity Rally on October 27th. He indicated that he met Mr. & Mrs. Molson and invited them to attend the City's Sesquicentennial Celebrations. With respect to the Unity Rally, Milt advised that discussions arose with a number of people on how best to continue the national sentiment of Unity into the Sesquicentennial celebrations. As a result it has been suggested that for June 29, 30 and July 1, that 20 Shawinigan, Quebec families be invited to join Hamilton families for celebrations. Milt noted that Shawinigan is one of Hamilton's twin Cities. Milt indicated that Irene Stayshyn will be chairing this project.

Governor General's Ball

Milt indicated that confirmation has been received that the Governor General will attend the Official Ball on Saturday, 1996 June 8th. Milt spoke about the various activities that will occur that day.

9's Project

Milt spoke about the plans for the "9's Project" on Sunday, 1996 June 9th, which is the City's official birthday. The project is being co-hosted by Big V Drugstores, YMCA, YWCA, Big Brothers and Big Sisters Association. This is a project suggested by St. Peter's Hospital to hold Community Family Picnics on this birthday celebration. Milt indicated that Carmen's Catering will be assisting in preparing picnic lunches for shut-ins.



### Cabaret Casino event

Milt indicated that they have met with John Hardy, Bob Ireland and John McLean about this event. This project is being chaired by Vito Sgro. Deborah Vivian of HECFI will also be assisting with this event.

### "Tough in the Park" Play

Milt advised that Jeff Peller, grandson of Peller Wines founders has suggested Sesquicentennial involvement in a play titled "Tough in the Park". The play was written by George Walker, and it is hoped that the production of it will be sponsored by Big Brothers and Big Sisters.

### Sesqui House Project

Milt gave reference to plans for a Sesqui House Project as a major fundraiser to be built at 1996 Upper Paradise Road. It will encompass state of the art technology. It is anticipated that tickets will be sold for \$19.96, and the project will be developed with Frank DeNardis.

### Commemorative Book

Milt indicated that Sherry Sleightholme has now completed the first draft of text for this book. As a result of artistic differences, Joe Kelly of Amalgamated Industries will no longer be involved in the project. This project will now be co-ordinated by the Sesquicentennial Directors. Milt indicated that a CD Rom will also be developed as part of this project.

### Meal Appeal Project

Milt spoke briefly about this project, and indicated that it is hoped that this event will raise \$100,000. He said that May 1st is targeted for the day when special meals, both dinners and lunches, will be offered, with all gross sales going to Sesquicentennial, up to a maximum of \$1,000. per restaurant participating. This project will be chaired by Bill McBride. Milt indicated that over 40 restaurant representatives attended the reception on today's date about this event, and the response to participate was overwhelming favourable. Milt indicated that Marion and Rob Challe of Challe Designs have agreed to work on the promotion of this event. As well, Sam Cino, Ron Ciancone and Michael Eng have also agreed to participate.



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**Joe Smith - Hamilton portraits**

Milt reminded those in attendance about the upcoming reception at Antico's on Monday, 1995 November 27th from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. to launch the 52 Hamilton portraits created by Joe Smith as a Sesquicentennial project. As well, Milt indicated that Antico's Chef will be creating a Sesquicentennial meal prototype for this event.

**Book Launch - Brian Henley "Hamilton 1846"**

Milt invited everyone to attend the upcoming book launch of Brian Henley's new book "Hamilton 1846", which will be held at Dundurn Castle. The Castle will be decorated with the Victorian Christmas theme.

**Lister Block**

For information, Milt indicated that the Hearing to discuss the future of the Lister Block is scheduled for December 13th. He added that the owners of the Block want to have it demolished and that a possible housing project is being considered. Milt is of the opinion that the Sesquicentennial Committee should not be involved in this matter as a group, and as such should have no official position. However, he wanted members of the Committee to be aware of the scheduled Hearing in case they wished to become involved on their own.

**Carmen Rizzotto**

Carmen spoke to the Committee and indicated that the Sesquicentennial office staff have been very busy.

**Billboards**

Carmen made reference to Gould Outdoor Advertising, providing free advertising starting in 1995 December for 100 billboards produced at a cost of approximately \$5,000., but at no cost to Sesqui.

**Event Calendar**

Carmen circulated a mock up of the Event Calendar. It will be a 58 page booklet of events occurring in 1996. It will be laminated, and produced by Canada Post, printed in Ottawa and delivered to 169,000 homes in the Hamilton area. 600,000 copies will be printed, and 300,000 will be used by Economic Development for their circulation and promotion purposes. In this regard, Carmen advised that the Economic Development staff have decided not to produce their usual calendar in 1996, but rather to combine their information with the Sesquicentennial Calendar. There will be about 6 - 8 pages of advertisements sold



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by the Spectator, and the project of having the Calendar produced should cost Sesquicentennial approximately \$10,000.

### Slo-Pitch Tournament

Carmen indicated that Mark Eckebrecht, President of Junior Achievement will be bringing a Slo-Pitch Tournament to Hamilton as a Sesquicentennial event.

### Santa Claus Parade

Carmen advised the Committee that the Co-Chairs will be participating in the upcoming Santa Claus parade. Chimo and Sesqui will also be in the parade, as well as the Sesqui staff carrying banners.

### Sesqui Says Column

Carmen encouraged members to submit text to him for the "Sesqui Says" column.

### Council meeting Cable 14 airtime

Carmen reminded members about the availability of air time on Cable 14 with Jim McDowell prior to Council meetings.

### Brabant Newspapers

Carmen indicated that there is a possibility that Brabant Newspapers will also allow a similar column like "Sesqui Says" in their publications.

### B.I.A. meetings

Carmen advised that the Co-Chairs will be meeting with the Business Improvement Area Boards on December 5th to discuss B.I.A. participation in Sesquicentennial celebrations.

### Logo in front of City Hall and promotional use of the logo and mascot

Carmen advised that a request is being sent to the Finance and Administration Committee to approve the display of the Sesqui logo in front of City Hall for all of 1996. As well, a recommendation is also being presented to the Finance and Administration Committee for the logo and mascot to be permanently affixed to the sides of the banner across Main Street for 1996, and the use of the logo on all City correspondence for the Sesqui year.



Mascot

Carmen reminded members that Sesqui is available for bookings, and that they should contact the Sesqui Office as soon as possible.

CHML Promotional support

Carmen advised that CHML will be donating \$53,000. worth of promotional support for Sesquicentennial.

24 Hour Hot Line of Events

Carmen confirmed that a 24-hour Hotline of Events will be established. The number will be 540-7096.

United Disabled Consumers

Carmen displayed a recent copy of the United Disabled Consumers newsletter featuring information about Sesquicentennial, and thanked Mervin Brownlee for having this done.

Meeting with the Royal Connaught/Howard Johnson Hotel

Carmen made reference to a meeting on Wednesday on the present week with Dick Brocker of the Royal Connaught/Howard Johnson Hotel with Mark Ekebrecht regarding the hotel involvement in the Slo-Pitch Tournament and with Evelyn Myrie regarding the Black History Month events.

Carmen also made reference to the hotel's participation with the Town Criers Conference.

Auditing

Carmen advised that MacGillivray and Partners are the Auditors for Sesquicentennial. He also noted that this firm is also the City's Auditors. He added that emphasis is being placed on public accountability of dollars.

Mum Show

Carmen made reference to the Sesquicentennial involvement in the recent Mum Show. He indicated that Sesqui purchased a booth at this event at a cost of \$400. and sold Sesqui merchandise.



### Jack MacDonald Symposium

Carmen spoke to the Committee in Bert's absence and indicated that the planning for the Jack MacDonald Symposium is going well.

### First Night Launch

David Adames spoke to the Committee about the First Night planning. He advised that Wednesday, 1995 November 15th at 10:00 a.m. will be the official launch hosted by Donna Skelley and Matt Hayes, and invited all members to attend. At that time promotional material will be distributed.

With respect to the programme on First Night, David indicated that Jude Johnson will be singing the Sesqui song for the first time at midnight on New Years' Eve. As well, she will be performing for children in the afternoon at the Library. The YMCA will be the location for Imagination Market.

The First Night Programme will be circulated in the December 9th edition of The Spectator.

Buttons for First Night will be sold at C.I.B.C. outlets and other locations, as well as the First Night Posters.

### New Years Levy

Bill McBride indicated that he will be speaking to Jude Johnson about performing at the New Years Levy.

### Public Speaking

Pat Amos updated the Committee about the planning for the Public Speaking event. She outlined the structure for the event, and spoke about the advertising for participation and the legacy to remain for future years.

**United Disabled Consumers**

Mervin Brownlee indicated that his Association is planning and 50's and 60's Dance theme event, as well as an event to involve Rick Hanson.

**Interfaith Celebrations**

Dr. Johnston reported on the planned for the Interfaith Celebrations. A copy of his report is herewith attached.

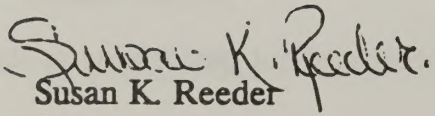
4. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

Milton Lewis, Co-Chair  
Hamilton Sesquicentennial Committee

Vincenza Travale, Co-Chair  
Hamilton Sesquicentennial Committee

  
Susan K. Reeder  
Executive Secretary  
1995 November 13th



Monday, 1995 December 11  
4:00 o'clock p.m.  
Room 233, City Hall

**The Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee met.**

**There were present:**

Vincenza Travale, Co-Chair  
Milt Lewis, Co-Chair  
Reg Wheeler  
Dr. John Johnston  
Vito Sgro  
Daniel Charles  
Bill McBride  
Michael Ng  
Trish Simmons  
David McCormack  
Greg Pyc  
Kathryn Honda  
Bill Rutlidge  
Dr. J. David Richardson  
Gale Bankowski  
Elize Hartley  
Leslie Pasis  
Albert Kergl  
Joanne Emerson  
David Ricketts  
Sean Rosen  
Cliff Jackson

**Also present:**

Shelley Merlo-Orzel  
David Adames  
Lynn Wylie  
Ravinder Ruprai  
Shane Thomson  
Elena James  
Wanda Dzierzbicki  
Kim Scott

**Regrets:**

Carmen Rizzotto  
John Syko  
Dennis Missett

**AGENDA**

**Vincenza Travale began the meeting with an opening reflection.**

1. Minutes of the meeting held Monday, 1995 November 13th

The Committee was in receipt of the minutes of its meeting held Monday, 1995 November 13th. One amendment was made, and the Committee then approved the minutes as amended.

2. Co-Chairs Reports and Agenda

Sesquicentennial Calendar

Vincenza Travale introduced the Sesquicentennial Calendar, which was then passed around to the Committee. The Calendar has been produced under the direction of Greg Pyc, who told the Committee that the Calendars cost \$20.00 for a chance to win \$25,000.00 in prizes. Greg also advised that the Calendar will be delivered to Members who order them. Greg noted that Calendar #1996 will be issued to the Mayor on Tuesday, 1995 December 12th.

First Night

The Committee was in receipt of copies of the Saturday, 1995 December 9th Spectator First Night Programme Insert. David Adames and Shelley Merlo-Orzel advised the Committee that 100,000 copies of the Programme were delivered to Home Subscribers of the Spectator. David and Shelley also told the Committee that extra copies of the Programme are available for distribution.

David reported that the First Night Media Launch was very successful, and showed the Committee a First Night Button.

Milt Lewis advised that the H.S.R. is providing free transportation on New Year's Eve for Button wearers.

Shelley advised the Committee that the First Ever First Night Art Show launch on Friday, 1995 December 8th was a success, and invited all present to view the show which runs until December 31st.

CHML Christmas Tree of Hope

Vincenza advised the Committee that the Co-Chairs, Frank DeNardis, and Sesqui staff, and Committee Members, visited the CHML Christmas Tree of Hope and made donations. The Hamilton song was played on air, and will be played regularly on CHML.



**Bryan Adams**

Vincenza spoke about the upcoming Bryan Adams concert on January 17th at Copps Coliseum. All advertisements for the concert tie in with Hamilton's 150th Birthday.

**Book Launch - Brian Henley "1846 Hamilton"**

Vincenza spoke about the successful book launch reception at Dundurn Castle.

**B.I.A. Meeting**

Vincenza advised the Committee that the Co-Chairs and Carmen attended the BIA meeting on December 5th. She advised that much support was offered, and that Sesqui banners will be hung on the street poles next year.

**Mural Project**

Vincenza advised the Committee that an anticipated four huge murals depicting "Sesqui Scenes" will be put on Hamilton buildings next year.

**Hess Village**

Vincenza advised the Committee that discussions are in progress regarding a seventeen day festival next year, culminating in the Jazz Festival.

**Shawinigan Twinning Project**

Vincenza told the Committee that plans for this project were progressing. She noted that Sponsors are needed to billet families for this event-filled weekend of June 29, 30 and July 1.

**Ma'anshan, China**

Vincenza informed the Committee of a meeting and dinner attended by the Mayor and Sesqui with delegates from Ma'anshan, China, one of our Twin Cities.

**SesQUILT Project**

Vincenza reminded the Committee that blocks are needed for the SesQUILT. The deadline for submissions has been extended until January 1st.



### Sesqui House Lottery

Milt Lewis advised the Committee that plans for the lottery were progressing. The Sesqui House will be located on Upper Paradise, and will contain state of the art technology.

Milt told the Committee that there will be a Time Capsule in the corner stone of the House that will be opened June 9, 2046. Milt invited the Committee to submit entries for inclusion in the Time Capsule.

### Mardi Gras

Albert Kergl advised the Committee that plans for the Mardi Gras were on schedule. He spoke about a telephone call he received by participants of Mardi Gras in Ohio. He informed the Committee that they are sending a delegation of 48 people to Hamilton next year. Albert asked the Chairs for assistance in planning the Children's Day and Parade for next year.

### Metis Nation of Ontario

Elize Hartley spoke to the Committee about intentions of bringing Metis Dancers to Hamilton next year.

### Public Speaking

Gale Bankowski informed the Committee that Les Pasis has been named the Honourary Chairperson for the "Hamilton Public Speaking Festival" next year. The theme of the contest will be "Reflecting on Hamilton's Past, Present and Future". Gale told the Committee that rules and regulations for the contest are currently being outlined, and that the contest is set for October 27th.

### Spectator Cup Centenary

Bill Rutledge told the Committee that the schedule for the Cup is set for next year, starting on June 5th, with the finals occurring on August 17th. The schedule is attached.

### National Association of Japances Canadians Canadian Japanese Cultural Centre

Kay Honda told the Committee there was nothing new to report. However, she mentioned that her Committee was busy making blocks for the SesQUILT.



**Hamilton Board of Education**

Dr. John Johnston informed the Committee that the Quilt Project has been completed, with every school having contributed a square. The unveiling of the Quilt will be January 9th.

**Interfaith Committee**

Dr. Johnston informed the Committee that the plans for the New Year's Eve Watchnight Services were on schedule. An omission from the schedule was noted, and will be rectified in an upcoming Sesqui Says Column.

**The Spectator**

Trish Simmons reported that the Sesqui Says columns are continuing to run, and that a large section for Sesqui is planned for next year. Trish also commented on the success of the Joe Smith Reception at Antico Restaurant.

**Chinese Community**

Michael Ng advised the Committee that a Reception is planned for next February, which the Chinese Ambassador or Consulate General will attend.

**New Year's Day Levee**

Bill McBride told the Committee that the Mayor will be hosting the Levee and following Reception on New Year's Day between 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. All are invited.

**Meal Appeal**

Bill McBride advised the Committee that the project is set for May 1st, with the proceeds going to the Fountain Foundation. He said that there are already some restaurants participating, and asked the Committee for referrals for the project.

Final confirmation of this project will take place in January if a sufficient number of restaurants commit.

**Canadian Warplane Heritage**

Bill McBride advised the Committee that the Grand Opening is set for May 10th. They are waiting for confirmation from the Prince of Wales that he will attend.

**Military Tattoo**

Bill McBride told the Committee that plans were on schedule.

**CNR Station**

Reg Wheeler spoke about the restoration of the CNR station that is occurring due to a movie being shot in Hamilton. He spoke about possible plans for utilizing the restored station.

**Cabaret Casino**

Vito Sgro introduced the Committee to Sean Rosen of View Magazine. He informed the Committee that they are still waiting to hear from Daniel Lanois.

**Lutheran Hour Ministries**

Daniel Charles told the Committee that picnics are being planned for after Church Services on June 9th.

**McMaster University**

Joanne Emerson informed the Committee that the Harvest Thanksgiving Event is set for Oct 5th. She also said that McMaster's internal Media are promoting First Night and Sesquicentennial.

**3. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

Vincenza Travale, Co-Chair  
Hamilton Sesquicentennial Committee

Milton Lewis, Co-Chair  
Hamilton Sesquicentennial Committee

Kim Scott  
Administrative Assistant to the Executive Director  
1995 December 11th



5d)

HERITAGE DAY PLANNING MEETING  
NOVEMBER 29, 1995

2 P.M. - ROOM 264, CITY HALL

NOTES

Acting Chairman: Marilyn Havelka

Present: David Beland, Gordon Birk, Rob Hamilton, Stewart Leslie  
Nina Chapple, Joy Dubbeld

Absent with Regrets: Diane Dent, Alderman McCulloch, Reg Wheeler

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1. MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of October 11, 1995 were approved as written.

2. BUSINESS ARISING

Introduc'n: Marilyn Havelka confirmed that Mayor Morrow was available to make an introductory speech at the Heritage Day ceremony February 19. The Sesquicentennial Co-chairs Vincenza Travale and Milt Lewis may also be introduced by the Mayor.

Speaker: Mel Bailey advised Stewart Leslie that he was willing to deliver the Heritage Day address, on the accomplishments and highlights of the last 150 years/Hamilton firsts.

Exhibits:

- Gore Park Fountain models, per David Beland:

The smaller model of the Fountain and its accompanying photo exhibit will be at City Hall for the Sesquicentennial Kickoff Levee at City Hall January 1. It will remain there to be one of the Heritage Day exhibits.

\* The larger model will be transported to City Hall in time for Heritage Day.

- Gore Model, per Marilyn Havelka:

As with the smaller Gore Fountain model, the Gore streetscape model will be at City Hall for the January 1 Levee and remain in place for Heritage Day/Week.

- \* • **Pumping Station Model:** enquiry to be made as to its availability for Heritage Day.
- \* • **Photo Exhibit:** Brian Henley and Margaret Houghton of Special Collections, Hamilton Public Library, will be approached.

### 3. PROGRAMME

**Time limit:** Everyone speaking should be given a time limit. Even the keynote address should be limited to 10 minutes, for example.

It shouldn't be necessary to read commemorative plaque text, although text can be included in printed programme.

- \* **Special Mention:** Special citations to be prepared for Lilly Oddie and David Christopherson for their roles in the preservation of the Carnegie Library (Unified Family Court) and the Dominion Public Building (Hamilton Courthouse), respectively. Text to be clarified with Alderman McCulloch.

Special mention is due David Beland and Dennis Missett for their role in the Fountain Foundation.

- \* **Guests:** A letter of invitation to Marilyn Muschinski, Minister of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation to be prepared, noting that the volunteer awards would be handed out.

Sesquicentennial Co-chairs Vincenza Travale and Milt Lewis, as noted under "Introduction" by Mayor.

- \* **Music:** Instead of a children's choir, it was suggested that the All Star Jazz Band may be prepared to perform. Marilyn Havelka agreed to contact Russ Weil in this regard.

In the interests of keeping the programme short, it was suggested that only one number be performed.

**Awards:** Hamilton-Wentworth Heritage Association Awards, per Stewart Leslie

To date he had received only 7 nominations and the Stoney Creek and Glanbrook nominations would be presented at their respective municipal Heritage Day celebrations.



Previous years have indicated that 20 awards can be presented in 10 minutes, with Stewart Leslie reading citations and Mayor Morrow handing out awards.

A back up plan would be to have an 11:30 a.m. presentation before the noon Heritage Day ceremony. The Mayor should be alerted and Council Chambers or another room booked for 11:30. The invitation to Marilyn Muschinski should also be for the earlier time.

\* Stewart will keep everyone informed as to the number of nominations.

**Printed Programme** The deadline for programme should be the third week in January, as well as the cutoff date for nominations for the Hamilton-Wentworth Heritage Association awards.

\* **Mascot:** The Sesquicentennial mascot Sesqui should be at the ceremony.

4. **NEXT MEETING:** Scheduled for Wednesday, January 10, 2 P.M.

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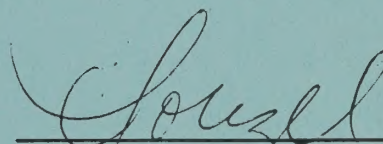
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**NOTICE OF MEETING**

**Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee**

**Monday, 1996 February 26  
1:00 o'clock p.m.  
Room 233, City Hall**

GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee

**NOTE:** In order to ensure that there are enough members present at this meeting to form a quorum, would you please notify the Secretary at 546-3994 if you are unable to attend.

**A G E N D A**

**12:00 O'CLOCK NOON**

**1. SITE VISIT**

Arrangements have been made for LACAC members to tour the new **Hamilton GO Centre**, where renovations to the former TH&B Station are near completion. Meeting place: south side of building just west of bus depot, entrance marked *Parker* near James Street. Hard hats and work boots required (hard hats available on site).

**1:00 O'CLOCK P.M.**

**2. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS (no copy)**





3. **PRESENTATION**

**Custom House/Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre**

Proposed exterior work, interior renovations and landscaping.

Presentation by Joanne McCallum and Greg Sather (*McCallum Mokrycke Sather Architects*) and Charles Hazell (*Taylor/ Hazell Architects*)

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1995 January 22

5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

James Mountain Road Project

6. **DIRECTOR OF LOCAL PLANNING**

- a) Christ's Church Cathedral - request for Technical Consulting Service
- b) City of Hamilton Board of Education
  - i. properties to be offered for sale
  - ii. 220 Dundurn Street South - proposed listing on Inventory
- c) Burlington Canal Lighthouse and Lightkeeper's House - designation status
- d) 266-280 King Street East (*listed*) - approval of demolition permit
- e) Residential conversion of non-residential buildings in the Central Business District - proposed elimination of parking requirements
- f) Gore Heritage Design Study

UPDATES (no copy)

- g) Victoria Hall/ MacKay Building
- h) St. Mark's Centre
- i) Bellevue, 14 Belvidere Avenue





- j) Health Department Building, 1 Hunter Street East

7. **JOINT PLAQUING SUB-COMMITTEE**

Commemorative plaque for Sesquicentennial (report available at meeting)

8. **COMMITTEE/ SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Hamilton Historical Board (minutes of meeting held 1996 January 16)
- b) CAPIC (minutes of meeting held 1996 January 12)
- c) Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee (minutes of meeting held 1996 January 8)
- d) Joint Plaquing Sub-committee (minutes of meeting held 1995 November 8)

9. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

West Harbourfront Development Study Concept Plan - Comments from LACAC

10. **OTHER BUSINESS**

11. **ADJOURNMENT**





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## CITY OF HAMILTON

### - INFORMATION -

**DATE:** 1996 February 15

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Custom House/ Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage  
Centre, 51 Stuart Street

1. The Custom House was purchased in 1995 for adaptive re-use as the **Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre**. This centre is intended to celebrate and preserve working class history and labour culture through exhibits, performances, films/ videos, publications, walking tours, etc. For additional background, see attached brochure and excerpts from recent issue of newsletter, *WORKlines* (Fall 1995), in the accompanying Information Package.
2. The purpose of this presentation is to provide information on how the building will be used and to specify any proposed alterations to designated exterior and interior features, as well as any conservation work to be undertaken.
3. The Custom House is designated under the Ontario Heritage Act; thus, if the proposed alterations affect any of the designated features, approval by Council through the *heritage permit* process will be required.

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Monday, 1996 January 22  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 219, City Hall

The Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee met.

There were Present: Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Reg Wheeler, Vice-Chairperson  
Alderman Frank D'Amico  
Alderman William McCulloch  
Brian Henley  
Rob Hamilton  
John Mokrycke  
Jeffrey Steadman

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Regrets: Robert Brough  
Jane Rigby

Also Present: Nina Chapple, Planning Department  
Ann Gillespie, Planning Department  
Joy Dubbeld, Planning Department  
Anton Gudinkas, Durand Neighbourhood Association  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary

1. **CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS**

Diane Dent, Chairperson, called the meeting to order and welcomed back Committee Secretary Charlene Touzel.

a) **Heritage Day Ceremony and Activities**

Diane Dent advised Committee Members that she and staff are working on the Programme for Heritage Day and added that a photograph of Victoria Hall will appear of the Programme's cover.

b) **Round Table Meeting/Workshop for Hamilton-Wentworth Region LACACs**

The Committee was in receipt of a letter dated 1996 January 12 from the Chairperson of the Town of Flamborough's Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee inviting three members of Hamilton's LACAC to attend a Round Table Meeting with other area LACACs on 1996 March 2.

Committee Members raised concerns that Flamborough's LACAC may be proposing to form one regional LACAC and the Committee felt that it would be fine to meet as a group from time to time to discuss broader issues but that it was imperative that Hamilton maintain its own LACAC to advise on heritage matters within the City of Hamilton.

Diane Dent asked who would be interested in attending this Meeting/Workshop and the following names were put forward as possibilities: Diane Dent, Rob Hamilton, Brian Henley, Jeff Steadman and staff. Staff was asked to contact the Chairperson of Flamborough's LACAC to determine if the Committee can send more than three representatives to this Meeting/Workshop and to offer Hamilton as a meeting site given that no meeting location was mentioned in the letter.

2. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The Committee was in receipt of the Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1995 December 11 and these Minutes were adopted as circulated.



### 3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

#### **James Mountain Road Project**

Anton Gudinskas, Durand Neighbourhood Association, appeared before the Committee to advise that the James Mountain Road Project will appear on the 1996 January 29 agenda for the Transportation Services Committee. Committee Members were reminded that at its meeting of 1995 October 16, the Committee endorsed the Research Sub-Committee's recommendation that a third alternative of repairing and upgrading the existing two-lane roadway, without further widening, be investigated. These comments were subsequently forwarded to the Roads Department for consideration. Mr. Gudinskas raised concerns that the Roads Department has not responded to LACAC's comments and suggested that a letter be sent to the Chairperson of the Transportation Services Committee making him aware of LACAC's concerns in this regard. The Secretary agreed to investigate this matter further and the Committee approved the following:

That a letter be sent to the Chairperson of the Transportation Services Committee advising of LACAC's concerns respecting the James Mountain Road Project, in particular, the widening of the two-lane roadway.

### 4. DIRECTOR, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

#### **a) St. George's Church, 10 Tom Street - Removal of Designated Windows**

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 January 12 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, recommending that LACAC confirm its support for the designation of St. George's Church and Parish Hall and that no legal action be taken against the Anglican Diocese for illegally removing several stained glass windows from the designated building.

Considerable discussion ensued respecting this matter and the Committee was concerned that they would be setting a precedent if they didn't take action since the removal of the windows was in contravention of the Ontario Heritage Act.

Alderman D'Amico asked the whereabouts of the stained glass windows. Staff indicated that they believe the windows have been used at another location, but agreed to investigate further and report back at the next meeting.

Nina Chapple indicated that the windows were removed before the building was designated.

After considerable discussion the Committee approved the following:

That this matter be tabled to the next meeting and that a policy be developed to deal with the removal of designated features from designated buildings.

Jeff Steadman agreed to work with Staff to develop this policy.

#### **b) Proposed St. Mark's Centre (former St. Mark's Anglican Church)**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 January 12 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Ann Gillespie advised Committee Members that a St. Mark's Centre User Survey Form has been developed to receive feedback from prospective user groups. The deadline for submitting the User Survey Form is 1996 February 16.



Reg Wheeler added that he recently toured the facility and reported that the building has been cleaned up and feels that there is great potential for the building.

Nina Chapple advised Committee Members that she has met with the Deputy Building Commissioner who is putting some figures together on costs to get the building operational. Some of the existing problems are the snow plowing build up on the west side of the building from the neighbouring apartment building and water problems causing the decay of the floor in the Parish Hall. Committee Members were further advised that the laneway beside the property will be fixed up this spring through local improvements.

Diane Dent suggested that a letter of thanks be sent to Brian Decker for his initial concern for the preservation of the building which ultimately lead to City Council's decision to purchase and preserve the heritage building.

**c) Victoria Hall/MacKay Building - Update on Ad hoc Committee to Investigate Possible Uses**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 January 12 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Committee Members were advised that a meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. today, immediately following the LACAC meeting, to identify ways of preserving these buildings. John Mokrycke expressed his concerns that he may have a conflict of interest as an architect who may be interested in this project, however, the Committee agreed to record his concerns but felt that there was no conflict at this time.

The Secretary advised the Committee that she is in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 January 16 from the Chairperson, CAPIC, to the Secretary, Planning and Development Committee respecting CAPIC's support for the preservation of Victoria Hall and the MacKay building and agreed to forward a copy of this report to all Committee Members for their information.

**d) Burlington Canal Lighthouse and Lightkeeper's House - Designation Status**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 January 12 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter. Committee Members were advised that Public Works Canada, owner of the Lighthouse and Lightkeeper's House offered no objection to the proposed designation. A report recommending the designation of the Lighthouse and Lightkeeper's House can now be forwarded to the Planning and Development Committee for approval.

**e) Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations - Proposed LACAC Projects**

Nina Chapple, Planning Department, reported on a number of ideas how LACAC can get involved with the City's Sesquicentennial Celebrations (ie. opening of the GO Centre).

Committee Members were advised that an Information Sheet listing all openings and exhibits will be put together in time for Heritage Day. Committee Members aware of any heritage activities taking place this year, were asked to advise staff so that this information can be included on the Information Sheet.

**5. COMMITTEE/SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The following Committee/Sub-Committee Minutes were received:



- a) Hamilton Historical Board - Minutes of meetings held 1995 November 14 and 1995 December 12
- b) CAPIC - Minutes of meeting held 1995 December 8
- c) Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee - Minutes of meetings held 1995 November 13 and 1995 December 11
- d) Heritage Day Planning Meeting - Minutes of meeting held 1995 November 29

6. OTHER BUSINESS

a) **CN Station - Heating of Building**

Questions were raised on the status of the Committee's recommendation that CN be requested to continue heating the building to prevent further deterioration of the building. The Committee Secretary reported that this recommendation will be considered by the City's Planning and Development Committee on 1996 January 24.

The Committee briefly discussed the recent filming at the CN Station and it was felt that there are a number of heritage buildings that could be used for such purposes in the future. Staff were directed to contact the Ontario Foundation of Film Development Corporation to determine which buildings they have listed as future movie sites and to provide them with a list of heritage buildings that they could consider when filming movies in the Hamilton area in the future.

b) **Gore Park Fountain Model**

Committee Members were advised that the Gore Park Fountain model is on display at City Hall and all Committee Members were encouraged to see it.

c) **Gore Heritage Design Study**

Nina Chapple, Planning Department, presented Future Design Concept Drawings of the Gore Park area (King Street East between James Street and John Street).

Some discussion ensued respecting the designation of the Gore and Alderman D'Amico and Alderman McCulloch agreed to discuss this matter with the Mayor before the next meeting.

d) **Next Meeting Date**

The Committee agreed to change the date of its next meeting from 1996 February 12 to 1996 February 26 because of the Heritage Day activities on 1996 February 19.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

Charlene Touzel, Secretary



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# CITY OF HAMILTON

## - INFORMATION -

**DATE:** 1996 February 15

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** James Mountain Road Project

See attached correspondence from Project Manager Gerry Forbes, Roads Department, regarding the final recommendation made by the Transportation Services Committee at its last meeting held 1996 January 29.

# ROADS DEPARTMENT

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PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

## MEMORANDUM

FEB 6 1996

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**TO:** C.J. Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee (LACAC)

**YOUR FILE:**

**OUR FILE:**

60.10.01.2

**FROM:** G.J. Forbes, Project Manager  
Predesign & Special Projects

**PHONE:**

546-2433

**SUBJECT:** James Mountain Road

**DATE:**

February 5, 1996

I have received a copy of your memorandum to Alderman T. Anderson regarding the above noted project, and wish to inform you that the attached memorandum was sent to Christine Fobler (the former Secretary for LACAC) in response to LACACs 1995 October 16 recommendation regarding James Mountain Road. Furthermore, your Committee should have received Project Update No. 4 for the James Mountain Road project which would have outlined the results of our investigation into the 'third alternative' (see attached).

Regardless, the following recommendation was made by the Transportation Services Committee (TSC) at their January 29th meeting:

That James Mountain Road, from Gateview Drive to Inglewood Drive, be reconstructed to include a pavement width of 7.0 metres (23 feet), within a platform width of 8.5 metres (28 feet), with widenings for lay-bys at appropriate locations upbound and downbound, if feasible, subject to the successful completion of the Environmental Assessment;

That the route followed by James Mountain Road remain essentially the same as at present, with some minor realignments, including a flattening of the curve at the top of the Escarpment; and

That any widening of the road be down on the north/west side of the road, except for intermittent widenings for catchbasins to be offset from the edge of pavement.

The 8.5 metre platform width will be comprised of 0.5 metres to accommodate an integrated retaining wall and guard rail, 0.5 metres of 'shy-away' from the back of the curb to the face of the guard rail, two 0.25 metre curbs (one on each side of the road) and two 3.5 metre travelled lanes. TSC has directed staff to complete the Environmental Assessment and preliminary design of the roadway without a refuge/walkway. This is contrary to earlier direction from TSC (see Project Update No. 4) for staff to provide a walkway on the north side of the reconstructed road.



The Region is completing an Environmental Study Report (ESR) documenting the process that was followed to arrive at the final design. The report will be placed in the public record for a 30 day review period. If there are no successful objections to the final design, or the process followed to arrive at the final design, then the Region is legally bound to construct the roadway as described in the ESR.

We anticipate filing the ESR in early March. Your Committee will be notified of the 30 day review period, and the procedure for objecting to the recommended design, or the process that led to that design, by mail.

I trust this information is satisfactory for your purposes. Should you require anything further, please contact me at 546-2433.

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Attach.

cc. Alderman T. Anderson, Chairman of Transportation Services Committee  
E.M. Gill, Senior Director - Roads Department  
V. Abraham, Director of Local Planning - Planning Department  
✓ N. Chapple, Architectural Historian - Planning Department

# SPECIAL PROJECTS OFFICE

## MEMORANDUM

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TO: C.B. Fobler  
Secretary, LACAC  
City Clerk's Department

YOUR FILE:

FROM: G.J. Forbes  
Project Manager  
Predesign & Special Projects

OUR FILE: 60.10.01.2  
PHONE: 2433

SUBJECT: James Mountain Road

DATE: 1995 October 26

Thank you for forwarding the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee (LACAC) recommendation with respect to the James Mountain Road Project. Please advise LACAC of the following:

- a. LACAC is only one of a number of stakeholders who have requested a review of a roadway design involving no significant widening. Staff have agreed to evaluate this option and report our findings to all interested individuals and groups. This will likely take the form of a 'Project Update' newsletter to be mailed shortly.
- b. Please be advised that Item 5 "Update" of the Research Sub-committee report should read that the reduction of lane widths is *'being considered'*. We have not committed to reducing the lane widths. I hope this miscommunication will not cause any problems.
- c. In response to public requests to reduce the width of the roadway, staff have reexamined the uphill boulevard. Staff have concluded that winter maintenance personnel will make minor adjustments in snow clearing procedures so that this element of the cross section can be removed. Therefore, the overall width of the roadway is reduced from 11.5 metres to 10.5 metres.

I trust this information is satisfactory for your purposes. Should you require anything further, please contact me at extension 2433.

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# a James Mountain Road

# PROJECT

## UPDATE

Autumn 1995

Issue No. 4

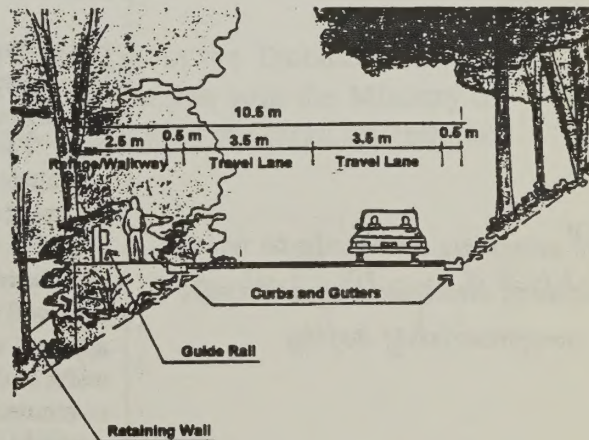
*The Transportation Services Committee wants to see the road reconstructed with a walkway.*

*The ESR will not be available for review as scheduled. Notification of the new review period will be mailed out after Committee approves a design.*

## REGIONAL COUNCIL

The recommended design for James Mountain Road Project was presented to the Transportation Services Committee (TSC) of Regional Council on November 27, 1995. Information was presented to the Committee in the form of a staff report, a brief presentation by staff and a presentation by a delegation of area residents and the Ward One Aldermen.

The staff report outlined the history of the project, public involvement and concerns, and recommended the preferred design of two 3.5 m lanes, curbs and gutters on both sides of the road and a retaining wall, a guide rail and a refuge/walkway on the north side of the road. The presentation by staff highlighted the key points in the report. The delegation and the Ward One Aldermen spoke against the proposed refuge/walkway and the wider lanes. No stakeholders were present to support the staff position.

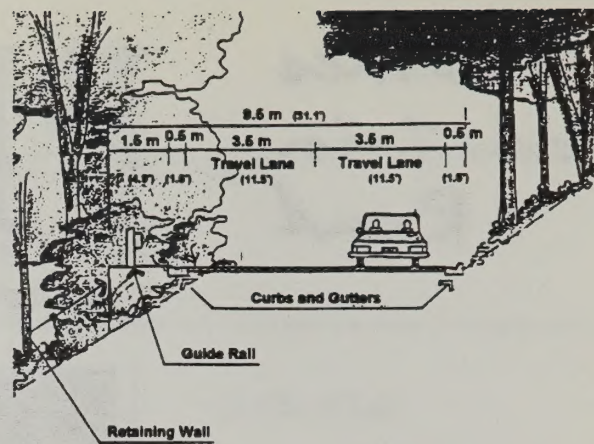


At the end of deliberations the Committee referred the matter back to staff for a further report reflecting the following guiding principles:

- reconstruct the roadway as per Alternative D, as contained in the Technical Report attached to Report RDS 95-259 [see the Figure on the next page], using as much as possible the south side of the roadway for the widening;
- that the provision of a pedestrian refuge/walkway on the northern side be incorporated into the design.

The TSC was very clear that they wanted to see the road reconstructed, not just repaired and that a walkway is needed.





*Alternative D has never been presented to the public. It is not recommended by staff and was presented to TSC to help illustrate the pros and cons of the refuge/walkway.*

Since TSC did not support any particular recommendation, the Environmental Study Report (ESR) will *not* be placed on file from December 6, 1995 to January 15, 1996 as stated in the last Project Update.

## REPORTING BACK

Staff have completed the evaluation of the uphill versus downhill widening and are prepared to report back to TSC on January 8, 1996.

Our analysis clearly indicates that the uphill widening is not favoured in any location along the roadway. The main reason for this is that the slope of the escarpment above the road terminates at the road edge and any widening into the uphill slope would require a retaining wall. The uphill slope has been singled out by our landscape architect and our heritage consultant as the most important visual feature of the 'streetscape'. A retaining wall on the uphill slope would significantly impact on the visual character of the road.

The above discussion will form the basis of the report back to the Committee. However, staff will begin to look at the details of the design (which is usually completed after approval of the basic concept and dimensions) in an attempt to further reduce the total width of the roadway. Any reduction in width will be done without compromising safety or eliminating elements of the roadway. For instance, integrating the guard rail and the retaining wall as one structure could possibly reduce the overall platform width by 0.2 to 0.5 metres.

This matter will return to the Committee for further consideration, and likely a decision, on January 8, 1996. Notification of the filing of the ESR will be mailed out shortly thereafter. If you wish to appear before the Committee please forward a written request to:

**Mrs. C. Biggs**  
Secretary, Transportation Services Committee  
Regional Clerk's Office  
119 King Street West, 15th Floor  
Hamilton, Ontario, L8N 3V9  
Phone: 546-4154 Fax: 546-2546

All requests should be received by December 22, 1995 and state the meeting date (January 8, 1996) and the topic of interest (James Mountain Road).

If you wish to discuss this matter please direct your questions or concerns to:

**Gerry Forbes, Project Manager**  
Roads Department, Special Projects Office  
(see address to the left)

*Staff will continue attempts to reduce the width of the roadway without compromising safety.*



Roads Department, Special Project Office  
25 Main Street West, 10th Floor  
Hamilton, Ontario L8P 1H1  
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**CITY OF HAMILTON**  
**- RECOMMENDATION -**

**DATE:** 1996 February 16

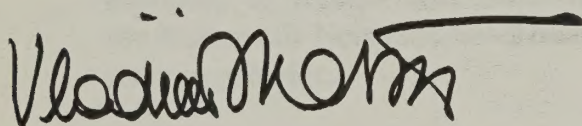
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LACAC Secretary

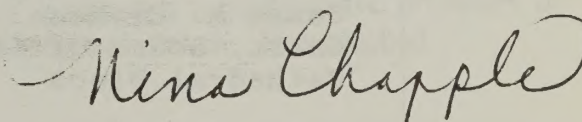
**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Christ's Church Cathedral - request for Technical Consulting Service

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City apply on behalf of Christ's Church Cathedral for the Technical Consulting Service offered by the Ontario Historical Society in co-operation with the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation for the purpose of repairing the large stained-glass window on the east wall of the chancel.





**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:** N/A

**BACKGROUND:**

1. Christ's Church Cathedral is designated under the Ontario Heritage Act.
2. The purpose of the Technical Consulting Service is to assist municipalities by making available limited professional advice, on specific problems relating to the alteration or conservation of a *designated* structure (at no cost to the municipality). The service provides a site visit by an architect or other suitable consultant, who then prepares a brief report.
3. Letter of request from Christ's Church Cathedral, Board of Management, attached.

# CHRIST'S CHURCH CATHEDRAL

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Hamilton, Ontario  
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Tel. 1-905-527-3239

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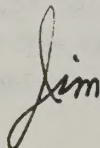
Ms. D. Dent  
Chair, LACAC  
Hamilton City Hall  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L8N 3T4

Dear Diane,

I am writing to request an examination and report from the Technical Consulting Service of the Ministry of Culture, Recreation and Tourism for the East window of Christ's Church Cathedral.

If you require additional information, please contact me.

Sincerely yours,



James M. Clemens  
Chair, Board of Management  
Cathedral Place

c.c. H. Dawson  
P. Moore  
J. Boutilier

The Very Rev. Harry J. Dawson  
Dean and Rector

The Rev. Canon Wm. C. Thomas  
Canon Pastor



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## CITY OF HAMILTON

### - INFORMATION -

**DATE:** 1996 February 16

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** City of Hamilton Board of Education  
- properties to be offered for sale

1. The attached letter, just received from the Board of Education lists 7 properties to be offered for sale. It includes a large 1930 warehouse building at **220 Dundurn Street South** (opposite L.C.B.O). The building is not currently listed on the *Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Value* as a comprehensive Inventory of the Kirkendall Neighbourhood has not yet been undertaken. See attached recommendation.
2. In addition, the Board is investigating the severance of the **Mohawk Trail School** property at 360 Mohawk Street West to allow the 1950s school building to be sold and the 1882 schoolhouse maintained as a museum. However, if a severance to create two separate parcels of land is not economically feasible, the entire property could be put up for sale. Photographs attached.

The Board of Education for the City of Hamilton  
Le Conseil de l'éducation de la ville de Hamilton

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Hamilton, Ontario  
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February 2, 1996

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Nina Chapple  
Architectural Historian  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee  
Planning and Development Department  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L8N 3T4

Dear Mrs. Chapple:

The Board of Education for the City of Hamilton has made a decision to sell the following properties:

|                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                   |
|------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Comley School    | - 771 Limeridge Road East, Hamilton<br>- Square footage approximately 11,411<br>- Site size approximately 1.683 acres                                                                                  | 1947                              |
| Eastview School  | - 6 Heath Street, Hamilton<br>- Square footage approximately 13,200<br>- Site size approximately 2.09 acres                                                                                            | 1964                              |
| Glenview School  | - 1133 Central Avenue, Hamilton<br>- Square footage approximately 6,919 sq. ft.<br>- Site size approximately 1.56 acres                                                                                | 1955                              |
| Southview School | - 205 Queensdale Avenue East, Hamilton<br>- Square footage approximately 15,935<br>- Site size approximately 1.99 acres                                                                                | 1970                              |
| House and site   | - 37 East Avenue North, Hamilton<br>- Dwelling approximately 1,230 sq. ft.<br>- Garage/Workshop approximately 625 sq. ft.<br>- 27 ft. frontage x 122 ft. depth<br>- Site size approximately .076 acres | small frame house<br>not 'listed' |
| Vacant site      | - 49 East Avenue North, Hamilton<br>- 26 ft. frontage x 122 ft. depth<br>- Site size approximately .073 acres                                                                                          |                                   |

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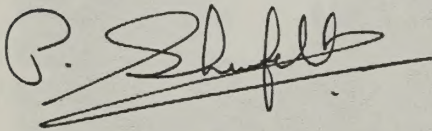
- 220 Dundurn Street South, Hamilton
- Square footage approximately 80,616 sq. ft.
- Site size approximately 3.03 acres

1930 Warehouse

The Ministry of Education has established a procedure whereby a Board of Education, when selling or otherwise disposing of property, must inform the local historical society of the municipality in which the school is located.

Please advise in writing, within 90 days of the date of this letter, as to whether or not the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee would be interested in purchasing any of these properties. Please direct your reply to Mr. Daryl Sage, Manager, Property, Audit and Assessment.

Yours sincerely,

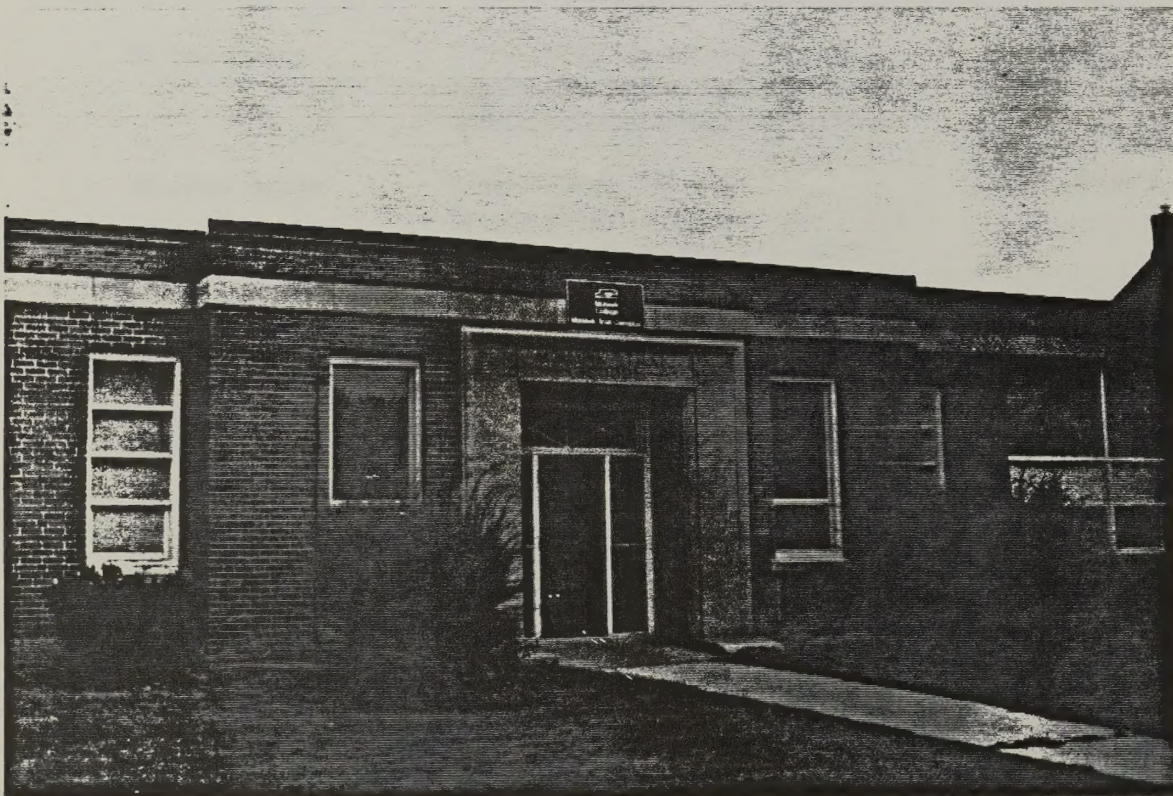
A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'P. Shewfelt', with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the signature.

Paul E. Shewfelt, CMA  
Superintendent of Financial Services  
and Treasurer

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**MOHAWK TRAIL SCHOOL**  
**360 Mohawk Road West**



Photos taken in 1987. (Heritage Planning, roll #87-7)



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**CITY OF HAMILTON**  
**- RECOMMENDATION -**

**DATE:** 1996 February 16

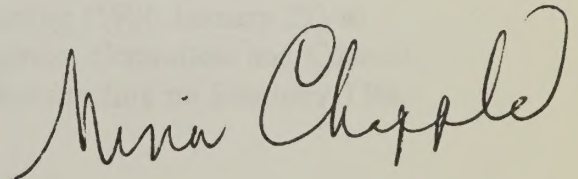
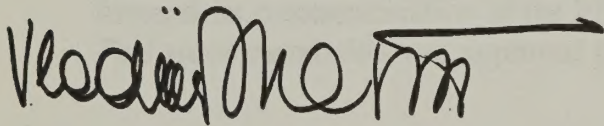
**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** 220 Dundurn Street South - proposed listing on  
Heritage Inventory

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the evaluation of the 1930 warehouse building at 220 Dundurn Street South for listing on the City's *Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest* be referred to the Research Sub-committee.



**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:** N/A

**BACKGROUND:**

1. See previous information item and letter from the Board of Education.
2. The property is zoned for residential use (D District); conversion of the existing warehouse to residential use should therefore be encouraged.
3. Map and photographs available at meeting.

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# CITY OF HAMILTON

## - INFORMATION -

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**DATE:** 1996 February 16

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Burlington Canal Lighthouse and Lightkeeper's House  
- designation status

At its meeting held 1995 November 13, LACAC approved an "Intention to Designate" recommendation, to be withheld for a month in order to give the current owner, Public Works Canada, sufficient time to respond to the proposed designation. As no objections were received, LACAC agreed at its last meeting (1996 January 22) to forward its recommendation to the Planning & Development Committee and Council. This recommendation was approved by Council at its last meeting on February 13th.





# CITY OF HAMILTON

## - INFORMATION -

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**DATE:** 1996 February 15

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** 266 to 280 King Street East (listed)  
- approval of demolition permit

1. The two buildings at 266-268 and 270-280 King Street East are both listed on the City's *Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest*. Erected in 1911, the larger building with stores on the ground floor and apartments above was originally called the St. Deny's Apartments.
2. The previous owner applied for a demolition permit in 1990 but no permit was ever issued because the provisions of the Demolition Control By-law were applied (i.e. no demolition permit could be issued until a building permit for a new structure had been obtained by the owner).
3. The new owner applied for a demolition permit in January 1996 and has since requested that the requirements of the Demolition Control By-law be waived due to the deteriorated condition of the building (vacant for several years). He intends to build a new mixed commercial/ residential building on the site.
4. The Planning and Development Committee, at its meeting held 1996 February 7, approved the attached recommendation, as amended. The owner is not required to obtain a building permit before a demolition permit can be issued.

**CITY OF HAMILTON**  
**- RECOMMENDATION -**

**DATE:** 1996 January 19

**REPORT TO:** Tina Agnello, Secretary  
Planning and Development Committee

**FROM:** L.C. King, P. Eng.  
Building Commissioner

**SUBJECT:** Demolition of: 266 - 280 KING STREET EAST  
Tag Number 95740 (96.1.1.A)

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Building Commissioner be authorized to issue a demolition permit, as per Section 33 Chapter 1(7) of The Planning Act for the building located at 266 - 280 King Street East in accordance with By-Law 74-290 subject to the following conditions:

- a) That the new building to be substantially completed on the site not <sup>more</sup> less than two years from the day demolition of the existing residential property is commenced; and,
- b) That failure to complete the new building within the time specified, the City shall collect the maximum sum of \$20,000. for each of the 17 dwelling units in a like manner as municipal taxes. The condition for redevelopment shall be registered on title in accordance with the provisions of the Planning Act.

**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:** N/A

**BACKGROUND:**

**PRESENT ZONING:** H - "H"/S-1189 (Map E-4)

**PRESENT USE:** Residential/Commercial

**PROPOSED USE:** Residential/Commercial



**BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

Owner wishes to demolish the existing 3½ storey brick building. The building is vacant now and is in poor condition. Owner wishes to erect a building containing commercial and residential units. Due to the condition and deterioration of the building, the owner wishes to waive the requirements of Demolition Control By-Law for the Central Area which requires a building permit to be issued prior to the issuance of the demolition permit for the subject property. Copy of the owner's letter is attached.  
LACAC interest. Lot size 165' x 175.75'.

The owner of the property as per the demolition permit is:

Spallacci & Sons Ltd  
85 Lancing Drive, Unit Q  
Hamilton On L8W 2Z9

 ND/zr



266 to 280 King Street East



St. Deny's Apartments (#270-280) and building to west (#266-8)  
Photograph taken while buildings were still occupied.



# CITY OF HAMILTON

## - INFORMATION -

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**DATE:** 1996 February 16

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Residential Conversion of Non-residential Buildings in  
the Central Business District

1. The proposed City Initiative would allow for the conversion of non-residential buildings, above the ground floor, to residential uses without any parking requirements (see attached recommendation).
2. As directed by the Planning and Development Committee at its last meeting held 1996 January 24, a Public Meeting has been scheduled for the next P & D meeting on February 21st. A decision is expected to be made at this meeting.

P+D  
Approved  
Jan 24, 1996

**CITY OF HAMILTON**  
**- RECOMMENDATION -**

**DATE:** 1996 January 17

**REPORT TO:** Tina Agnello, Secretary  
Planning and Development Committee

**FROM:** Hazel Milsome, Secretary  
Greater Hamilton Downtown Community Development  
Corporation's Founding Board

**SUBJECT:** Residential Conversion of Non-residential Buildings in  
the Central Business District.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. That the Planning Department staff be directed to schedule a Public Meeting, in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act, to consider a City Initiative to amend Zoning By-law No. 6593 to allow for the conversion of non-residential buildings, above the ground floor, within the Central Business District to residential uses without required parking.

Hazel Milsome

**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Staffing implications to be determined by the Director of the Planning Department.

**BACKGROUND:**

At its meeting held 1996 January 15 the Greater Hamilton Downtown Community Development Corporation's Founding Board discussed a number of initiatives that would encourage residential development within Hamilton's downtown core. The Board also discussed existing impediments one of which was the present parking requirements for buildings converted to residential uses within the Central Business District.

The Planning Department provided the following information to the Board that was the basis for the above recommendation:



Currently, within the Central Business District, parking for Commercial, Public and Institutional uses are reduced (see Appendix 'A' - Area 'B') or not required (see Appendix 'A' - Area 'A'), whereas it is only reduced for multiple Residential development (see Appendix 'B' - Area 'A' 0.8 space/unit - Area 'B' 1.0 space/unit vs. 1.25 spaces/unit).

Although the reduced standards for multiple residential uses may be an incentive for new development, it has been cited as a deterrent for the conversion of existing building stock. More specifically, most of the vacant commercial buildings in the Central Business District were built without the provision of parking. Consequently, even reduced standards become an impediment to residential conversion.

From a Planning perspective, it would be appropriate to eliminate the parking requirement for residential conversions where they occur within the same area as they are eliminated for Commercial, Public and Institutional uses (see Appendix 'A' - Area 'A'). This initiative is supported by the following factors:

- **Planning Policies**

The thrust of current planning policy is to **"strengthen the residential function of this area"** (Official Plan policy 2.9.3.1 i); to encourage residential conversions, particularly **"where commercial space is under utilized, which may include upper floors of retail space"** (Central Area Plan policy 4.1.8); and to actively encourage residential development **"through actions taken by Council which may include special incentives"** (Central Area Plan policy 4.1.7).

- **Accessibility to Transit and Parking**

The subject area has access to a high level of transit service, and is readily accessible from both public and private parking lots.

- **Location**

The boundaries for the proposed "0" parking area includes the focus area for the Greater Hamilton Community Development Corporation.

- **Sustainable Development**

The establishment of an "0" parking area as an incentive to encourage the residential conversion of non-residential buildings in the Central Business District, would be supportive of the goals and strategies respecting the implementation of Vision 2020.

**Strategies Include:**

**Develop in co-operation with the area municipalities, an initiative to encourage increased residential development above commercial strips along transit corridors.**

**- Parking Policy Trends**

Based on Planning Departmental survey findings, it would appear that current Parking Policy Trends are intended to reduce parking requirements for residential uses within Central Business District's, and to promote public transit usage.

**- Market Conditions**

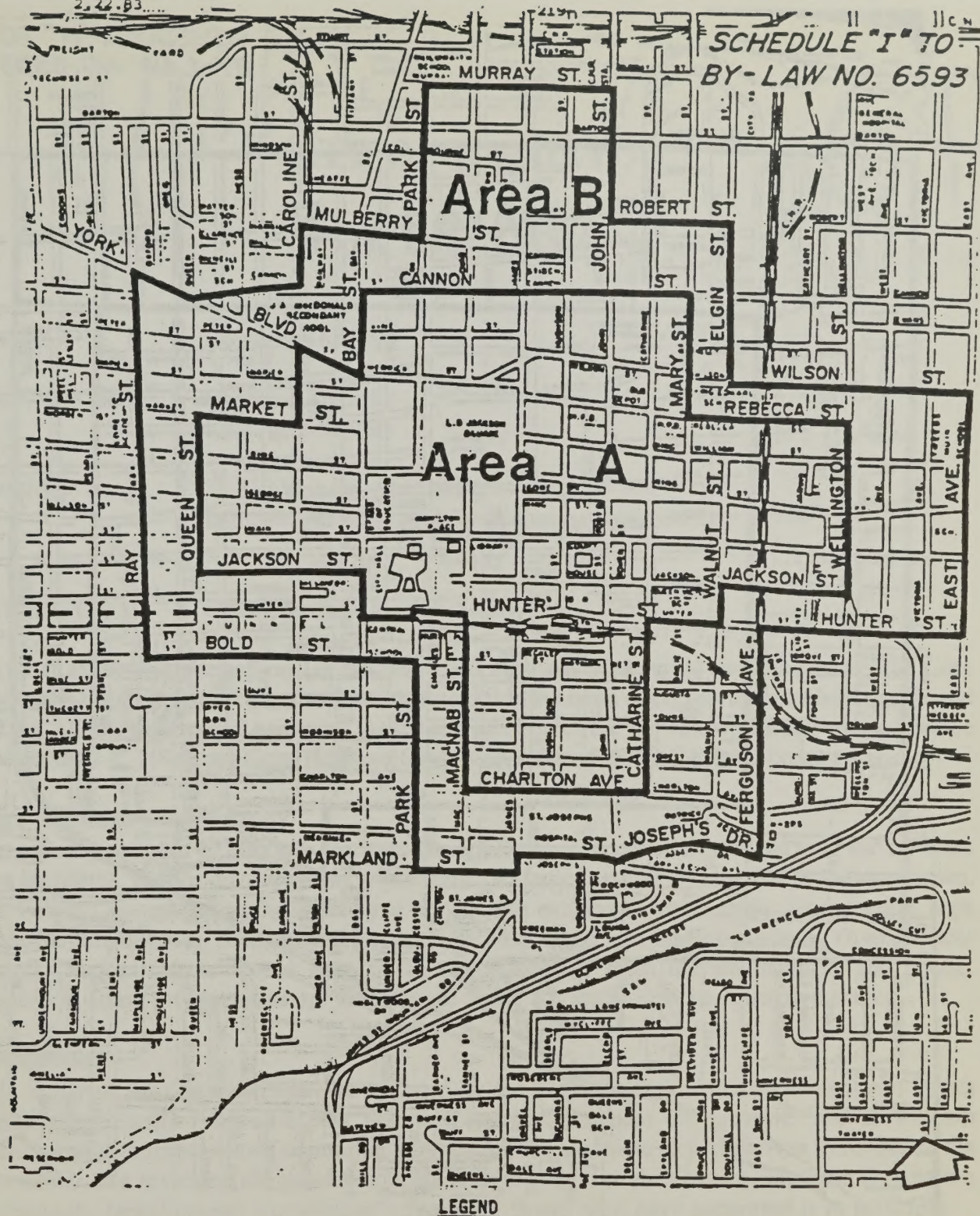
Regardless of whether or not there is a parking requirement for this area, it has been our experience that developers will provide parking to satisfy market conditions.

**HM:BJ:hm**

**Attach's.**

**c.c. Victor Abraham, Director of the Planning and Development Department**





Bill No. D-33

This is Schedule "A" to By-law No. 63-66 passed the 22nd day of February, 1983.

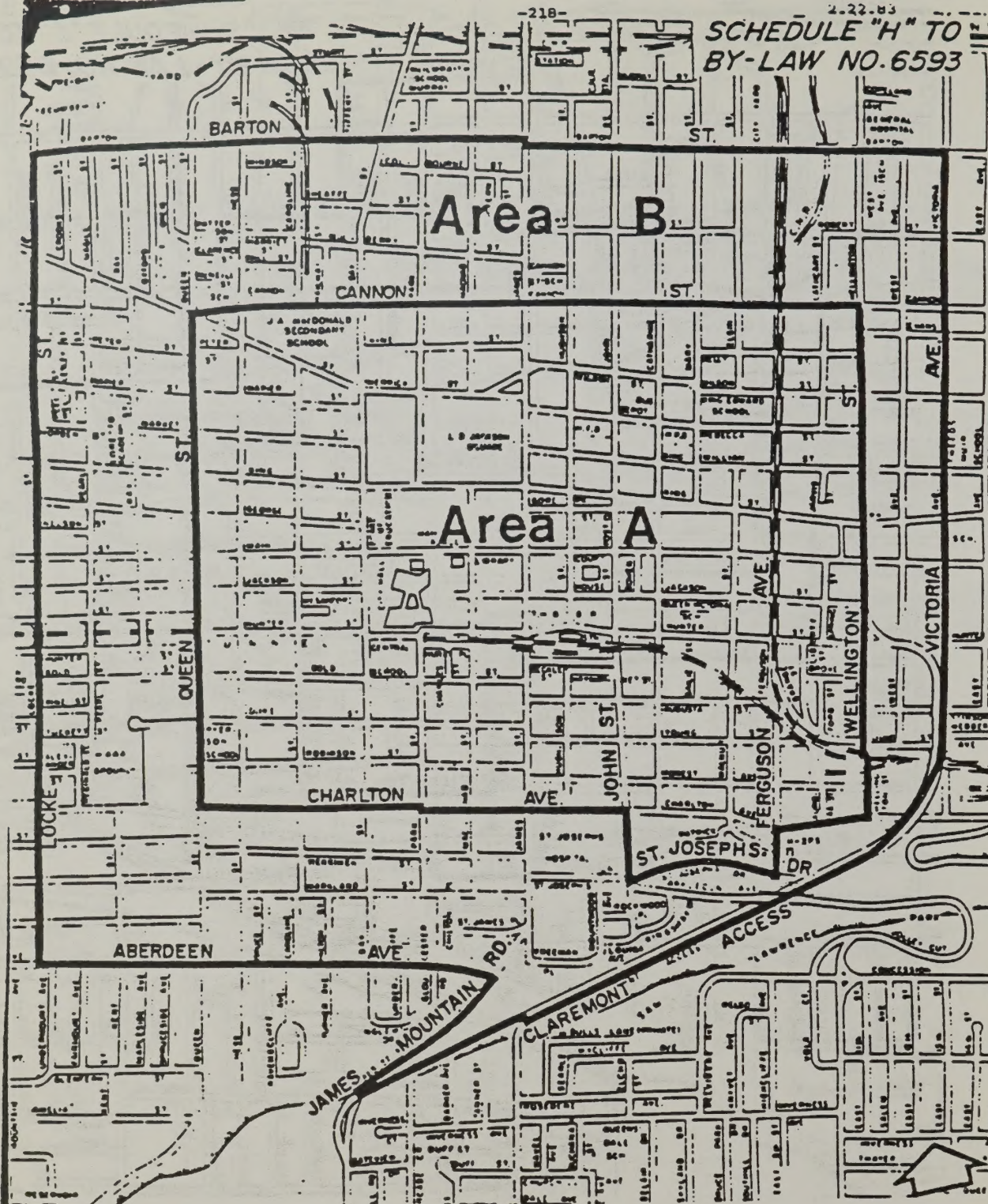
*E.A. Luffman*  
City Clerk

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF HAMILTON

*W. M. Munn*  
Mayor

APPENDIX A





LEGEND

— Delineates boundary of those areas in which parking requirements for Multiple Residential uses are reduced.

Bill No. D-33

This is Schedule "A" to By-law No. 83-66 passed the 22nd day of February, 1983.

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF HAMILTON

*S.A. Simpson*  
City Clerk

*Mayor*  
Mayor

APPENDIX B



# CITY OF HAMILTON

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## -FOR DISCUSSION-

**DATE:** February 16, 1996

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V. J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Gore Heritage Design Study

LACAC at its last meeting on January 22, 1996, heard a brief verbal presentation on the Gore Heritage Design Study. The committee requested that the issue of preserving the Gore be referred to LACAC for review and comment. At the last meeting of the Downtown Initiatives Committee on February 8, 1996, the Gore Heritage Study was referred to LACAC for comment.

### **Gore Heritage Design Study**

The primary purpose of the Gore Heritage Design Study is to establish a visual goal for the Gore area buildings. Rather than imposing a contrived (and often temporary) theme for the downtown, this Future Concept proposes capitalizing on valuable existing assets, namely, its authentic, high quality architecture, an irreplaceable resource which has taken 150 years to produce. To implement such a proposal, there would have to be strong support from the stakeholders and public. Therefore, some presentations are being made while the study is in its formative stage.

### **Background**

This Study of the Gore heritage was initiated by the Mayor's Task Force on Downtown Issues and Renewal and referred to the Planning and Development Department. The Downtown Initiatives Committee, a staff committee established to coordinate city initiatives to revitalize the downtown, has reviewed the general concept and referred it to the Greater Hamilton Downtown Community Development Corporation's Founding Board who have supported it in principle.

### **LACAC's Role**

Based on the report Potential Heritage Conservation Districts in Hamilton, dated 1983, LACAC has rated the Gore as a commercial area of prime heritage importance. The committee is therefore asked to review and comment on the Future Design Concept and a number of other related issues including:

- incentives to encourage restoration of buildings
- in-fill guidelines/ zoning
- demolition control
- signage guidelines

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The first part of the report deals with the general situation of the country in 1950. It is a very interesting and informative study of the country's development at that time.

The second part of the report deals with the economic situation of the country in 1951. It is a very interesting and informative study of the country's economic development at that time.

The third part of the report deals with the social situation of the country in 1952. It is a very interesting and informative study of the country's social development at that time.

The fourth part of the report deals with the political situation of the country in 1953. It is a very interesting and informative study of the country's political development at that time.

The fifth part of the report deals with the cultural situation of the country in 1954. It is a very interesting and informative study of the country's cultural development at that time.



**CITY OF HAMILTON**

**- INFORMATION -**

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**DATE:** 1996 February 13

**REPORT TO:** Kevin C. Christenson, Secretary  
Parks and Recreation Committee

**FROM:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Hamilton Historical Board

**SUBJECT:** Hamilton Historical Board Minutes - 1996 January 16

**BACKGROUND:**

Attached for the information of the Parks and Recreation Committee are the minutes for the Hamilton Historical Board for its meeting held 1996 January 16.

attached

cc Secretary, Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

1996 January 16  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 233, City Hall

**The Hamilton Historical Board met.**

**There were Present:** David Beland, Chairperson  
Walter Peace, Vice-Chairperson  
Alderman William McCulloch  
Gordon Birk  
David Cuming  
Brian Henley  
Stephen Kostyshyn  
Jack McBurney  
Joyce Newman  
Victoria Reiding  
Claire Riddell

**Regrets:** Alderman Bernie Morelli  
Carolyn McCann

**Also Present:** Ross Fair, Director of Culture and Recreation  
Marilynn Havelka, Manager of Cultural Services  
Hoda Kayal, Culture and Recreation Department  
Thérèse Charbonneau, Culture and Recreation Department  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary

1. **CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS**

David Beland, Chairperson, called the meeting to order.

Marilynn Havelka, Manager of Cultural Services, welcomed and introduced new Committee Member Jack McBurney, new Committee Secretary Charlene Touzel and, Culture and Recreation Department staff Hoda Kayal, Community Co-Ordinator and Thérèse Charbonneau, Conservator.

2. **PRESENTATION/UPDATE**

**Museum/Arts Storage Update - Thérèse Charbonneau, Conservator**

Marilynn Havelka, Manager of Cultural Services, presented a brief history of the City's storage facilities for museums/arts in the City of Hamilton.

Thérèse Charbonneau, Conservator, appeared before the Board to explain the importance of proper storage for the museums' artifacts. This is particularly important at the Military Museum where approximately 90% of the museum's collection is in storage.

A slide presentation highlighting past and the present upgraded storage conditions as well as the problems (ie. rodents, humidity, insects, light, pollutants and lack of space) facing the current collections was shown.

Board Members were informed that Thérèse Charbonneau, Conservator, is working to complete Disaster Plans for the City's Museums which will be brought forward to the Board at a future meeting.

Marilynn Havelka advised Board Members that the need for additional storage has been addressed in the Capital Budget for future consideration.



Questions were raised whether or not there are any opportunities to develop joint partnerships with other museums in the area and staff have considered and agreed to investigate.

In closing, Marilynn Havelka advised Board Members that a number of non-relevant artifacts may be deaccessioned to help resolve some of the museums' storage problems.

### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Board was in receipt of the minutes of the Hamilton Historical Board for its meeting held 1995 December 12.

The following amendments were made:

- a) Page 2 Item 3 - the spelling of "MacInnes" was corrected; and,
- b) Page 2 Item 4 - the word "Dovecote" was deleted and the word "Restaurant" was inserted in lieu thereof; and,
- c) Page 3 Item 7(a) - the words "Regional Conservation Authority" were deleted and the words "Hamilton Region Conservation Authority" were inserted in lieu thereof; and,
- d) Page 3 Item 7(c) - the word "photograph" was added to the last line between the words "would like to" and "it in 1996"; and,
- e) Page 4 Item 5(e) - the word "distract" was changed to "detract".

The Minutes were adopted as amended.

### 4. DIRECTOR OF CULTURE AND RECREATION

#### a) Grounds Use Request - Dundurn Park

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 January 10 from the Director of Culture and Recreation respecting the above-noted matter. The Board approved the following:

That the following grounds use requests for Dundurn Park be approved:

- a)
  - a) Canada Day Tattoo - July 1, 1996
  - b) Royal Hamilton Light Infantry Band Concert - July 28, 1996
  - c) Evening in Scotland - August 25, 1996
- b) Deaccessioning and Disposal of a Human Skeleton and Office Equipment - The Hamilton Children's Museum

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 January 10 from the Director of Culture and Recreation respecting the above-noted matter.

Marilynn Havelka, Manager of Cultural Services advised Board Members that the deaccessioning of the office equipment is just a housekeeping amendment since it should not have been included in the artifact collection.

Board Members were further advised that the human skeleton is valued at \$2,500. to \$5,000. Staff are recommending that it be donated to McMaster University for educational purposes.

The Board approved the following:

- a) That permission be given to Culture and Recreation Department Staff to deaccession a human skeleton (Inventory Number c.1982.1a) from the



Hamilton Children's Museum collection and donate it to McMaster University, Faculty of Health Sciences for use in anatomy education; and,

- b) That the list of office equipment and furnishings attached hereto and marked as Appendix "A" be deaccessioned from the artifact inventory and be transferred to the general museum inventory.

## 5. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

### a) Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum

In Carolyn McCann's absence, Marilyn Havelka, Manager of Cultural Services advised Board Members that the Committee is discussing the possibility of organizing a members' day. Also, the Museum has a new exhibit on Hamilton.

### b) Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee

Gordon Birk advised Board Members that the nine plaques (Church of Ascension, Gore Park Fountain and the seven B.I.A. properties plaques for King Street East) to be presented on Heritage Day are now being made.

### c) Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

Brian Henley advised Board Members that a Public Meeting was held on 1996 January 10 respecting proposed uses for the former St. Mark's Anglican Church building. Mr. Henley added that most of the proposals involved uses by seniors or children's groups.

Board Members were further advised that LACAC has joined forces with CAPIC to help to preserve the Victoria Hall/MacKay buildings as heritage landmarks in the downtown core.

### d) Military Museum - Long Range Plan

Victoria Reiding advised Board Members that the Sub-Committee has not met recently and therefore no report was available.

### e) Heritage Day

Gordon Birk reminded Board Members that a Heritage Day ceremony will be held on Monday, 1996 February 19 at 12:00 o'clock noon in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Mr. Birk added that there are now fourteen known groups/individuals who will be presented with Volunteer Service Awards at the Heritage Day ceremony.

## 6. OTHER BUSINESS

### a) Working with Local School Board to Integrate Heritage Programs

Marilynn Havelka advised Board Members that the Department's education group headed by Beth Wakeford had been contacted by the Wentworth Board of Education to integrate Hamilton's museum programs into the Common Curriculum. Staff will be meeting with educators on 1996 February 21 to discuss this matter further. Marilyn Havelka added that it might be worthwhile to invite Beth Wakeford to attend a future meeting to bring the Board up to date on the educational activities being pursued.



**b) First Night Celebrations**

The Board was advised that Whitehern was included in the City's First Night Celebrations. While admission was free, 633 people toured the museum and increased public awareness of the site. Marilyn Havelka added that staff are looking at how to better promote the museum as a downtown destination.

**c) 1996 Marketing Plan**

Board Members were informed that David Adames, Culture and Recreation Department, is working on the Department's 1996 Marketing Plan which should be completed sometime in February and that a presentation on the same will be made to the Board at a future meeting.

**d) Dundurn Castle Aviary**

Marilyn Havelka advised Board Members that a report from Parks Division staff will be presented at the next meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee recommending a new location for the aviary which is presently located on the Dundurn Castle grounds.

Gordon Birk suggested that if the aviary is relocated, that the sign announcing that the birds are coming back should be taken down.

**e) Budgets - Letter of Concern**

Board Members were reminded that the City is in the process of finalizing its 1996 Budget.

David Cuming expressed his concerns that heritage/cultural areas are often the first services to be reduced or cut and suggested that the Board send a letter to the Parks and Recreation Committee expressing the Board's concerns in this regard. The Board approved the following:

That the Chairperson send a letter to the Parks and Recreation Committee expressing the Board's willingness to make a presentation on heritage issues if City Council feels that it would be helpful to them during its budget deliberations.

**f) Ontario Agricultural Museum**

Marilyn Havelka advised Board Members that she has received a letter from the Ontario Agricultural Museum respecting the status of the museum. It was agreed that a copy of this letter would be sent to all Board Members for their information.

**g) Federal Gun Control Legislation**

Joyce Newman questioned whether or not the new federal gun control legislation would impact the collection at the Hamilton Military Museum. Marilyn Havelka indicated that the Department will have to upgrade staff training and register all guns within the next two years. Marilyn added that she will follow up to see if any grants are available for these purposes and will keep the Board informed in these matters.

**h) Paint Colours at Dundurn Castle**

Walter Peace questioned whether or not the Board can anticipate public questions/concerns respecting the new colour of paint used on Dundurn Castle. Staff responded that the new colour has been researched and is typical of the period when the Castle was built. Marilyn Havelka indicated that she can put an article in the

next divisional newsletter explaining the new colours as well as an information report to all Board Members, Members of City Council and all LACAC Members recapping Dundurn's restoration and paint selection.

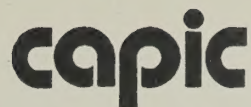
There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

**David Beland, Chairperson  
Hamilton Historical Board**

**Charlene Touzel, Secretary**





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**CENTRAL AREA PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COMM**  
**a Subcommittee of the Planning and Development Committee**  
c/o CITY HALL, 71 MAIN STREET WEST, HAMILTON, ONTARIO, L8N 3T4

MINUTES

CENTRAL AREA PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

City Hall, Room 233

Friday, January 12, 1996

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Russell Elman - Outgoing Chairperson  
Mary Pocius - Incoming Chairperson  
Gil Simmons  
Art Lomax  
Gerry Kennedy  
Ron Faichney  
Paul Ortmann  
John Eyles  
Karen Wood  
Scott Maltman  
Greg Fraleigh

Durand Neighbourhood Association  
International Village BIA  
North End Neighbourhoods  
Hamilton Automobile Club  
Metropolitan Hamilton Real Estate Board  
Senior Citizens Council  
Stinson Community Association  
McMaster University  
Physically Disabled Committee  
Corktown Neighbourhood Association  
Citizen-at-Large

REGRETS

Alderman Caplan  
James Wilson  
Graeme McTaggart

Alderman, Ward 1  
Senior Citizens Council  
Downtown Hamilton BIA

STAFF AND OTHERS

Alderman McCulloch  
Dave McCann  
Bill O'Brien  
Brenda Mitchell  
Don Deas  
Vladimir Matus  
Bill Janssen  
Ann Gillespie  
Vanessa Grupe - Coordinator

Alderman, Ward 2  
Parker Consultants Ltd.  
Transportation Services - H.S.R.  
Stinson Neighbourhood  
Kirkendall Neighbourhood  
Planning Department  
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1. Chairperson's Remarks

Russell Elman opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. Members of the Advisory Committee on GO Transit had been invited, and Gil Simmons introduced Brenda Mitchell and Don Deas from the committee. She asked that CAPIC Chairperson be added as an agenda item.

2. Minutes of December 8, 1995 CAPIC Meeting

Concerning item 3 b) on page 2, it was noted that tax relief cannot be done. Ann Gillespie clarified that for the Gore Park area, tax relief is being considered as one option. **Motion:** It was moved by John Eyles and seconded by Mary Pocius that the minutes of the December 8, 1995 CAPIC meeting be adopted. **Carried.**

3. GO Transit - Status and Plans

a) GO Centre

Dave McCann, Parker Consultants Ltd., gave an overview of the design and status of the Hamilton GO Centre, including the following:

- Hunter St. frontage will have parking, interlocking brick sidewalks, trees, lighting, canopies on building;
- James and John St. will have stairs from sidewalks, up to platform. City, with GO Transit funding, has added bright lighting, screening;
- All doors, washrooms and office tower sized for disabled access; elevator from concourse to platform for access; every 5th GO car is wheelchair accessible, and stops within a 25 ft. radius;
- Taxi parking on Hunter St. face on west side; also some on east side;
- Passenger drop-off on Hunter St. both sides; also Haymarket St. to south, with access through bus area, covered by metal canopy; and,
- Opening expected in Spring, with May 29 as possible date.

During the discussion period which followed, several comments, suggestions and concerns were raised by committee members, as follows:

- Taxi parking spots not provided at rear, although taxis could stop on Haymarket with cars; felt a taxi spot needed at rear; concerns about rear pedestrian access;
- No on-site parking for transit users, while there is free parking at Aldershot Station; concerned no parking will reduce use of station;
- Questions about location of push buttons on front doors; and type of surface materials for front concourse; obstructions for disabled;
- Concerns that Hunter St. frontage should be main drop-off area, not rear door; landscaping out of character with building; City asked for landscaped front plaza;
- Station will be open to pedestrians for about 18 hours per day;
- Office tenants confirmed to date include professional offices; and,
- No traffic control devices proposed for Hunter at Hughson.



b) HSR Bus Connections with GO

Bill O'Brien, Director, Transportation Services, H.S.R., provided information on how H.S.R. and other buses will connect with the GO service:

- 3,000 trips per day are expected through the station, most of them on GO buses, which will also use it, at 10 min. intervals in peak;
- 500 trips per day will access the station using H.S.R., which is hoped to increase with time, so that this becomes the main access mode;
- H.S.R. carries 5,000 - 6,000 trips into CBD in peak period;
- Main bus access from Mountain is via James and John, more to be shifted to this;
- At present, can't stop buses under these bridges, due to columns, narrow lanes,
- Bus stops on n.w. corner James & Hunter; and e. side of John, s. of rail bridge;
- Want to reconstruct James and John St. bridges to full span structures. This would allow better bus access, since buses could stop under bridges;
- Hughson St. is seen as primary pedestrian corridor between GO Station and Gore;
- H.S.R. ticket office will be located in GO Station, with customer services; will close Catharine St. ticket office;
- Fares will be integrated, will have common bus pass, so GO riders with H.S.R. sticker can travel free on all H.S.R. buses;
- McMaster bus will have a bus stop in GO Station, at rear; as will DARTS; later so will Ancaster, Dundas H.S.R. buses likely have stop there;

Questions and comments about the H.S.R. service included the following:

- Hunter St. is not proposed to carry any H.S.R. buses in front of station, at present;
- All inter-city buses will come into GO Station, but B-Line bus will not;
- H.S.R. buses cannot back up in operations, have a blind spot. Thus they cannot use finger bays in GO Station, can only use the few side bays at south of station;
- May bring York Blvd bus into GO Station; it provides good coverage in CBD;
- A new bus stop on west side of James, at bridge, would be unsafe for pedestrians;
- Rebuilding of James and John St. bridges could be 20 years away;
- Concerns about safety for pedestrians crossing rear bus area; and,
- Opening ceremonies for Station will likely be mid-day in spring; Dave McCann will pass along comments about celebrating first incoming trains, spur to CBD.

c) Regional Transportation Review

Bill O'Brien provided an update on this study. There has been extensive public consultation since June, 1995. Staff are compiling the results of this phase, and preparing a report to Regional Council within the next 2 or 3 months. The debate about 1 or 2 tier government has slowed down the process- the organizational issues are related to this. Members said they hope seniors bus pass price will remain low. An increase of \$20 per year is being considered, to \$135 per year. Cash bus fare is now \$1.70; pass \$1.35.

4. Urban Design

a) Victoria Hall and MacKay Building



The ad-hoc committee on this matter recommended at the last meeting of CAPIC is being set up. It was endorsed by LACAC, who have appointed two members. Other members are being sought from the private sector, and the committee will meet soon. The owner continues to push for de-designation. The project manager for the Courthouse said there is no need for office space in addition to the Courthouse itself, now being renovated.

b) Report of Sub-Committee and Other Actions

Vanessa Grupe reported on progress on the various design initiatives being pursued, including the meeting of urban design staff from various municipalities. Contact names for some GTA staff involved in design are being forwarded from Mississauga.

Vladimir Matus noted that a development permit system is being introduced in Toronto. This is a planning process which substantially simplifies the conventional zoning approach, and the years of associated approvals, and is thus attractive to developers. Vladimir offered to explain this approach, and how it differs from the current zoning process, if members are interested. CAPIC may want to promote this approach. He can send out reading materials to members, and discuss it at a future meeting, if desired.

5. Business Arising

- a) Chairperson and Vice Chair - Gil Simmons had brought this item forward, since she felt it was time this matter be resolved. She suggested we receive any further nominations today, and then vote. With Gil Simmons as nominating chair, Mary Pocius was nominated by Greg Fraleigh, seconded by Ron Faichney. Mary agreed to run. Russell Elman was nominated by Art Lomax, seconded by Gerry Kennedy, but Russell declined to run. In this manner, since they were no other nominations, Mary Pocius became the new CAPIC Chairperson.

Further nominations for Vice Chairperson were invited. Gerry Kennedy nominated Greg Fraleigh, but he declined. There were no other nominations for Vice Chairperson. This position will be filled later.

Mary thanked Russell for all his work in the years he has chaired CAPIC. Russell said that CAPIC has always tried to resolve issues, and he hopes this will continue. The committee has worked for the common good, not the vested interests of each member. Mary asked Russell to continue in the chair for the balance of the agenda.

- b) CAPIC Goals, Priorities and Action Plan for 1996 - Vanessa distributed copies of the current action plan, as revised at recent meetings. This was felt to be satisfactory, although there may be further changes.
- c) Economics of Downtown - John Eyles and Gil Simmons had met with Mr. Harrison of McMaster for a preliminary discussion on this matter, instead of Peter George. There may be potential for him to meet with CAPIC. Pamela Blaise, an economist at the



University of Toronto, was also suggested as a speaker. She has been in the news recently about Toronto issues. We may wish to invite her to meet with CAPIC first, and then hold a public forum. A copy of the talk Frank Lewinberg gave at the CAPIC public forum could be sent to her.

- d) Advisory Committee on GO Transit - Gil Simmons asked whether this committee would continue to meet. She felt the staff should be in touch with members about the status of GO work, and meetings should be held. Vladimir Matus noted the charrette held on the GO Area, which addressed the planning implications of the station. The results of this study are now being incorporated into neighbourhood plans, such as Corktown. Russell said the committee should focus on the stations' interface with the neighbourhoods.

Art Lomax feels the City is not well served by the GO Station design, especially the rear entrance which he feels provides inadequate and unsafe pedestrian access. A bridge for people to pass over the bus area had been suggested. Other concerns included the front building face and amenities. Gil asked what followup had been done by staff regarding the comments on the station design provided by the Advisory Committee and others. Vanessa noted that there had been two or more reports to Planning Committee on these comments, which were forwarded to GO Transit.

- e) Planning Department Newsletter - The Planning News first issue was distributed to members. This publication, edited by Mary Lou Tanner, is intended to keep citizens informed about the Department's work, and has received much positive feedback.
- f) Planning Legislation Update - Bill Janssen noted that Bill 20 makes greenfields development easier. There are many changes, such as certain decisions are no longer appealable to the O.M.B.; and there are shorter timeframes for approval. Some say the legislation has been rolled back to what it was like in the early 1980's.
- g) Westdale Housing Issue - Paul Ortmann at the last meeting had requested information about monster homes and related planning issues in Westdale. Staff provided him with a package of information, which is summarized in the newsletter distributed to all.
- h) Official Plan Review - Vanessa provided a brief overview of this study, which is summarized in the newsletter. The various information brochures are presently being prepared, and the public outreach phase will begin in the spring.

## 6. Status Reports

- a) Downtown Development Corporation - Bill Janssen outlined recent D.C.D.C. initiatives:
- request for tax relief for businesses;
  - request to eliminate parking for residential uses in the downtown;
  - request for market value study for student housing, related to Lister Block; and,
  - Feb. 7 D.C.D.C. workshop with facilitator, to set directions, actions, & priorities.



The Downtown Initiatives Committee is a staff committee, chaired by Victor Abraham, Director of Planning and Development, also working on downtown issues, and recently asked to be a support group to the D.C.D.C.

CAPIC has an important role to play in supporting and complementing the D.C.D.C. There are many issues, and much of the work will be done by other groups. The development permit approach, and the economics of downtown, are two examples of areas CAPIC is pursuing independently at present, of which D.C.D.C. could be informed.

- b) St. Marks' Use Study - Ann Gillespie reported on the January 12 public meeting, held to obtain public input on the use of this City owned building as a multi-purpose facility. Staff were very pleased by the attendance and response. Many agencies may be seeking meeting space, such as arts groups; Seniors Council; Volunteer Centre; Scouting groups and others. Interested parties were asked to complete a user survey form by early Feb. Funding for renovations is to be determined and subject to budget process. Users fees need to be set. Ron Faichney reported on the Jan. 12 meeting and possible user groups.
- c) CN Station - Filming is now underway for a major movie at the Station. Considerable renovations were done for this purpose, including painting; carpet removed; terrazzo floors cleaned; and a fake staircase added. LACAC has asked that the heat be left on after the movie is finished, to prevent further damage to the building.

7. Other Business - None.

8. Members Reports

- a) Ron Faichney said the building in poor condition he mentioned at the previous meeting was at the south-west, (not north-west) corner of James and Cannon. He also likes the Gore fountain project; and feels there should be a large mall in the core.
- b) Mary Pocius asked whether a demolition application had been made for the former Ammendolia property at 266-280 King St. E., which has not. There have been two fires in it, and the building may be beyond repair.

The Assessment hearing was to have been in December. The definition of "vicinity" is critical - business owners feel the vicinity should be the whole Region, rather than the building next store, as the hearing officer feels. The O.M.B. may be the solution. There is a rumour that many stores in Jackson Square are closing soon when their leases expire.

- c) Russell Elman said the James Mountain Road project has caused polarization between lower City and Mountain residents, in discussion about how much to widen the road.

9. Next Meeting The next regular CAPIC meeting is scheduled for February 9, 1996.

10. Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

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Monday, 1996 January 8  
4:00 o'clock p.m.  
Room 233, City Hall

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The Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee met.

There were present:

Vincenza Travale, Co-Chair  
Milt Lewis, Co-Chair  
Carmen Rizzotto, Executive Dire  
Reg Wheeler  
Daniel Charles  
Gordon Birk  
Alderman Geraldine Copps  
J. Brian Henley  
Dr. John A. Johnston  
David McCormack  
David Ricketts  
Kathryn Honda  
S. Polly Shimizu  
Maria Hajosch  
Betty Grice  
Dea Janssens  
Pat Ford  
Joanne Emerson  
John Syko  
Renee Johnston  
Tom Attention  
Terry Mote  
Bert Allen  
Irene Stayshyn  
Albert Kergl  
Vito Sgro  
Pat Amos  
Trish Simmons  
Betty Bright  
Tyrone Childs

Also present:

Shelley Merlo-Orzel  
David Adames  
Susan Reeder  
Wanda Dzierzbicki  
Elena James

Regrets:

Les Pasis  
Dennis Missett  
Greg Pyc

Milt Lewis chaired the meeting.

1. Daniel Charles led the meeting in opening reflections.

2. Carmen Rizzotto

Carmen thanked everyone for their condolences regarding the loss of his father.

John Syko was congratulated on his recent marriage.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting held December 11, 1995, were approved.

4. Milt Lewis - Sesquicentennial Celebrations Inc.

Milt advised the Committee that a First Night de-briefing meeting would be held on January 11th at the Sesqui office.

Appreciation was expressed regarding First Night to Shelley Merlo-Orzel and David Adames and to Bill McBride regarding the New Year's Day Levee.

A meeting was held with Cable 14 on their involvement. They will cover all future Sesquicentennial events live.

#### Upcoming Events

- i) Bryan Adams concert January 17, 1996;
  - ii) First Night Volunteer Appreciation to be held January 31st, 6:30 p.m. at the Sheraton Hotel. Donna Scally and Matt Hayes will be present.
  - iii) The Governor General and his wife will be attending the Sesquicentennial Ball on June 8th. Cathy Keyes, Lynn Brown and Sandra Gowans are working on the agenda;
  - iv) Four community picnics will be held on June 9 (Hamilton's official birthday) in conjunction with Big V, Y-SAN and Cable 14. Wanda Dzierzbicki is co-ordinating the project;
  - v) The Shawinigan Project is headed by Irene Stayshyn. Irene is working with local politicians and 150 families.
  - vi) The "state of the art" Sesqui House Project is presently being worked on by Frank Denardis and Peter Desantis and will be our primary fundraiser.
5. Vincenza Travale - Sesquicentennial Celebrations Inc.
    - i) Vincenza informed the Committee that the Black History Month John



Holland Community Service Awards are being held at the Royal Connaught on February 3rd.

- ii) The Sports poster is being launched January 10th, 12:00 noon, at Copps Coliseum.

6. Carmen Rizzotto - Sesquicentennial Celebrations Inc.

- i) Carmen showed the Committee the prototype of the Events Calendar and examples of advertising which incorporated the Sesquicentennial logo. The Events Calendar is to be delivered by Canada Post on January 31 and February 1 & 2 to 169,000 homes in Hamilton-Wentworth. Economic Development will be using the Calendar (300,000 copies) as a promotional vehicle for the Region. The Calendar (150,000 copies) will also be distributed by the Sesquicentennial office.
- ii) Carmen showed the Committee a picture of the billboard launch at Main and Burris Streets. The billboard was donated by Gould Advertising.
- iii) The deadline for the Sesquilt had been extended to February 28, 1996.
- iv) The launch of Jude Johnson's Hamilton song was successful.
- v) Frank Denardis has acquired 32 sponsors for Sesquicentennial.
- vi) There will be a Sesquicentennial Art Gallery, "High Winds on the Skyway" opening exhibit and reception on February 1st.

7. David Adames - First Night

David reported on the First Night wrap-up. The attendance goal of 8,000-10,000 was achieved. Final numbers of button sales were not yet tallied because they were still coming in. David thanked the media partners, The Spectator and the many sponsors for their involvement.

8. Shelley Merlo-Orzel - First Night

Shelley discussed the wide variety of programming for First Night and the great reviews received. Special thanks were expressed to the Churches, the YMCA for Imagination Market, the police escort, the approximately 150 volunteers, Maria Fortunato at the Volunteer Centre and the H.S.R. for their participation.

9. Dr. Johnson - Interfaith

Dr. Johnson reported that the Watchnight services were well attended and he was very pleased and it was well received by Churches of all denominations. The next major Interfaith events are planned for March and October.



10. Bert Allen - Jack MacDonald Dinner

Bert Allen reported that Perrin Beatty of the CBC would be the speaker at the Jack MacDonald Dinner and that tickets sales were going well.

11. Albert Kergl - Mardi Gras

Albert Kergl reported that the plans for the Mardi Gras are on schedule. Tickets for the Saturday night Costume Ball being held at the Convention Centre would be \$10.00 and the Children's Costume Party would be held the next day at the Convention Centre from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Albert had also received a letter from Theatre Aquarius confirming their participation in the Mardi Gras.

12. Bill McBride - Veterans' Event, Meal Appeal, New Year's Day Levee

Bill McBride reported that there were plans being made to hold a Veterans' event on the November 11th weekend. He also spoke about Meal Appeal plans and fundraising for the Fountain.

The New Year's Day Levee was well received.

13. Pat Amos - Public Speaking

Pat Amos reported that the Hamilton Public Speaking semi-final competition will be held on September 15, 22, 29 and the finals will be held at the Studio Theatre on October 27th. Plans are progressing well.

14. Cecilia Carter-Smith - Sports

Cecilia advised the Committee that the Sports media conference will be held on Wednesday, January 10th, 12:00 noon, at Copps Coliseum. She encouraged all present to attend. The sports poster is now available for \$1.00 and could possibly be kept as a memento for the bicentennial.

14. Trish Simmons - Spectator Sesqui Celebrations

Trish reported that The Spectator will be producing a commemorative section which could possibly be placed in the time capsule. Their editorial department is doing historical bits. She asked that their editorial department be informed of any Sesquicentennial events.



14. Terry Mote - Mohawk Technology Showcase

Terry invited everyone to Mohawk's technology event.

15. Brian Henley - Hamilton Public Library

Brian reported that there were Sesqui displays at the Library with four upcoming programs. There is a good response from the schools regarding the Sesquicentennial and the public was coming forth with many Sesquicentennial projects.

16. Joanne Emerson - McMaster University

McMaster University is planning a "Harvest" Thanksgiving Celebration Dinner to be held October 5th.

17. Kay Honda - National Association of Japanese Canadians/Canadian Japanese Cultural Centre

Kay reported that her Committee has made a block for the Sesquilt.

18. Hamilton Wentworth Separate School Board

The Board has produced a booklet with ideas how to celebrate the Sesquicentennial.

19. Juno Awards

The Co-Chairs agreed to send a letter regarding the incorporation of the Sesquicentennial logo with the Juno awards. Milt said that he would follow up.

20. Renee Johnston - Ontario Workers' Arts & Heritage Centre

The Ontario Workers' Arts & Heritage Centre is planning walking tours of Hamilton, a Labour Day Parade and Picnic and a conference in May. Milt offered Sesquicentennial's assistance.

21. Gordon Birk - Fountain Foundation

Gordon Birk reported that the Fountain funding has reached the 50% mark and that 2,000 copies of the book have been sold to date.

22. Tom Cooper, Assistant Corporate Liaison, who is working with Frank Denardis was introduced.

24. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

Vincenza Travale, Co-Chair  
Hamilton Sesquicentennial Committee

Milton Lewis, Co-Chair  
Hamilton Sesquicentennial Committee

Elena James  
Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Inc.  
1996 January 8th



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*Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee Meeting  
2 p.m. - Alderman's Boardroom, 2nd Floor, City Hall*

*Minutes of Meeting of 8 November 1995*

Present: Gordon Birk, David Beland, Rob Hamilton, Alderman McCulloch.

Also Present: Joy Dubbeld, Planning Department  
Marilynn Havelka, Dept. Culture and Recreation

Absent with Regrets: Diane Dent

1. It was moved by Alderman McCulloch, seconded by David Beland, that the minutes of the meeting of November 8, 1995 be approved with the following amendments: *that the format for the minutes be altered to list those starting with the Committee Chair followed by an alphabetical list of members, staff and those absent with regrets. Carried.*
2. Business Arising from the Minutes:
  - 2.1 International Village BIA Plaques: Joy Dubbeld reported that Jan Pacey had returned and is the contact for Community Renewal and the BIA plaques. Jan had indicated that the plaques are now being tendered and will be ready for unveiling at the 1996 February Heritage Day Ceremony. Alderman McCulloch reported that he would be attending the Annual General Meeting this evening for the International Village BIA and would like to take the sample of the plaque with him.
  - 2.2 Amendment to Plaque Policy: Gordon Birk indicated that a recommendation would be forwarded to the next HHB and LACAC meeting, concerning an amendment to the Plaque Policy which would include the new third listed building category of plaque. A second recommendation concerning the International Village plaques would also be forwarded at the same meeting pending the approval of the amended policy.
  - 2.3 Jimmy Thompson Plaque: Marilyn Havelka indicated that the quote from Embree Industries to re-cast and correct the dates on the plaque would be \$750. However there is a cheaper method which would involve chiselling off the letters and gluing replacements on. This would cost \$75. per date. The two errors on the cast plaque are the dates for Olympic Games which should read 1928 instead of 1932 and also the date when Mr. Thompson was the coach of the Aquatic Club.



*It was moved by Alderman McCulloch, seconded by David Beland that pending confirmation by Canada Sports Hall of Fame the date for the Olympic Games be changed to 1928 and that replacement number be glued to the plaque at a cost not to exceed \$75. plus tax and that the plaque be unveiled in the Spring of 1996. Carried.*

Discussion: Rob Hamilton inquired about checking the wording for plaques. It was suggested that the writer submit the wording with the sources referenced. Further it was suggested that if the plaque include personalities that where possible the family should be contacted to verify information.

- 2.4. Heritage Day Plaque Unveiling: Joy Dubbeld handed out a letter addressed to the Reverend Canon Jackson concerning a heritage designation plaque from the Church of the Ascension. Gordon Birk will follow up with the Church. Alderman McCulloch asked if reference to all three architects would be included on the plaque. Joy Dubbeld will follow up the wording (names of architects and dates) with Gordon Birk. Information on the plaque will be dictated by the amount of space available.

- 2.5 Gore Park and Fountain Double-Sided Plaque: *It was approved by Alderman McCulloch, seconded by David Beland, that a recommendation be forwarded to Parks and Recreation Committee for approval in principle be reviewed for a two sided plaque Gore Park/Fountain Plaque be initiated subject to further approval of the wording. Carried.*

Alderman McCulloch indicated that the plaque could be unveiled during the sesquicentennial celebration in Gore Park scheduled for June or July 1996.

*It was moved by Alderman McCulloch, seconded by Rob Hamilton that Gordon Birk and David Beland will draft wording for the plaque with the assistance of Rob Hamilton. Carried.*

### 3. New Business:

- 3.1 Mechanical Engineers Plaque for The Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology: Joy Dubbeld informed the Committee that she had received an inquiry from Dr. David Weaver concerning the possibility of presenting a plaque to the Museum recognizing the contribution of the Gartshore Engine to present day mechanical engineering. This would take place at the May 1996 conference of Canadian and American Mechanical Engineers in Hamilton.



*It was moved by Rob Hamilton, seconded by Alderman McCulloch, that in view of the fact that several engineering plaques were already at the museum, that Dr. Weaver be contacted to consider an alternative to compile and publish a limited edition publication/pamphlet which would commemorate "Gartshore Engine and perpetuate their name".*

Rob Hamilton indicated that the pamphlet might follow the format of the Lyle Catalogue and that Dr. Weaver be informed that the original plans for the Steam Museum are at the McMaster University Library.

- 3.2 Nine Hour Movement Plaque: Marilyn Havelka indicated that Paul Litt of the Ontario Heritage Foundation had called on 7 November to enquire about the installation of the plaque in Victoria Park. The plaque had been unveiled in May at the Workers Arts and Heritage Centre. Marilyn Havelka will follow up with the Centre concerning their approval of the suggested location for the plaque. If it is concluded that the plaque be placed in Victoria Park then necessary approvals will be initiated through the Parks and Recreation Committee.

4. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 3 p.m.  
the next meeting will be held at the call of the Chair.

Minutes recorded by Marilyn Havelka

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## JOINT PLAQUING SUB-COMMITTEE - 1995

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# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRAF

## MEMORANDUM

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TO: Ms. C. B. Fobler, Secretary  
LACAC, City Clerk's Department

YOUR FILE:

FROM: Mrs. P. Ulbinas,  
Parks Operations Technical Assistant  
Park Development and Maintenance  
Secretary,  
West Harbourfront Development Study

OUR FILE: 96.2118.00  
PHONE: 546-4334

SUBJECT: West Harbourfront Development Study  
Concept Plan - Comments from LACAC

DATE: 1996 January 16

We are pleased to be writing to you at this time to update the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee about the next steps for the West Harbourfront Development Study.

At its meeting held 1995 December 12, Hamilton City Council approved a number of recommendations of its Parks and Recreation Committee and received the West Harbourfront Development Study Final Report: A Vision for the Future.

This report describes an ambitious long range vision for our harbour area and represents tremendous opportunities for private sector investment and joint ventures to occur.

In order to test the economic viability of our redevelopment plan, City Council has directed staff to undertake a suitable degree of promotion of the development and investment opportunities associated with the West Harbourfront Precinct to the local, national and international development community and invite formal submissions of interest and/or development proposals.

Further, the Chief Administrative Officer for the City is expected to report back to City Council by 1996 November on the responses from the development community regarding their interest to invest and develop within the West Harbourfront Precinct.

We are optimistic about the redevelopment opportunities within the West Harbour area attracting private sector interest and therefore will be advancing discussions with CN and other affected parties regarding relocation of the Stuart Street Marshalling Yard. This is without doubt the most important aspect of the project.

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# DECLARATION OF INTEREST

## STATEMENT

I, the undersigned, do hereby declare that I am not a member of, nor do I have any financial interest in, any organization or enterprise which is engaged in the production, manufacture, sale, or distribution of any article, commodity, or service, or in the performance of any service, which is the subject of the contract or contracts mentioned in the foregoing statement of work.

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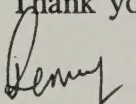
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With respect to the comments received from LACAC considerable reference is made to the perimeter road project. As this has been reflected as one component of the West Harbourfront Development Study concept, and is a Region initiative, we recommend contacting Regional Transportation/Environmental Services, Mr. J. van der Mark, Director, Predesign and Special Projects.

As this is a concept plan with a vision for Hamilton's waterfront, further studies will be required prior to any development occurring in the precinct, and at that time issues and concerns identified by various stakeholders will be addressed accordingly.

Thank you for your interest in the West Harbourfront Development Study.

  
RWC/bg

cc: Mr. J. van der Mark, Director, Predesign and Special Projects  
Transportation/Environmental Services  
Mr. V. Abraham, Director, Local Planning  
Ms. N. Chapple, Architectural Historian  
Planning Department

With regard to the various methods of determining the value of the property, the Board has found that the most reliable method is the cost of reproduction less depreciation. This method is based on the actual cost of the property and is not affected by changes in the market value of the property. The Board has also found that the market value method is not reliable because it is based on the subjective opinion of the appraiser.

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There is no question in the mind of the Board that the cost of reproduction less depreciation is the most reliable method of determining the value of the property.

Very truly,  
Yours,  
[Signature]

cc: Mr. [Name], [Address]  
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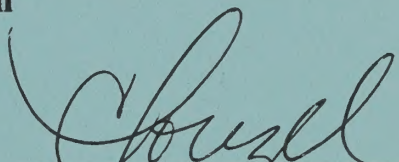
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## NOTICE OF MEETING

### Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

Monday, 1996 March 11  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 233, City Hall

  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee

**NOTE:** In order to ensure that there are enough members present at this meeting to form a quorum, would you please notify the Secretary at 546-3994 if you are unable to attend.

## A G E N D A

1. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS (no copy)

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1996 February 26

3. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Letter from Diocese of Niagara re: location of stained glass windows removed from St. George's Church, 1996 February 26

4. DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

- a) Custom House/ Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre - Heritage Permit Application for proposed exterior and interior alterations (Report available at meeting)





- b) Additions to Inventory - Corktown (for Corktown Neighbourhood Plan)  
(Report available at meeting)
- c) St. Mark's Centre - Update
- d) Victoria Hall/MacKay Building - Update (no copy)
- e) MacNab-Charles Heritage Conservation District - Streetscaping  
improvements (no copy)
- f) First Round Table Meeting of Hamilton-Wentworth LACACs, Waterdown,  
1996 March 2 - Verbal report (no copy)

**5. COMMITTEE/SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee - Minutes of meeting held 1996 February 8
- b) Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee - Minutes of meeting  
held 1996 February 12
- c) CAPIC - Minutes of meeting held 1996 February 9

**6. INFORMATION ITEMS**

- a) Victoria Inn - Archaeological Report
- b) Upcoming Sesquicentennial Events (of interest to LACAC)
- c) Hamilton Society of Architects - Sesquicentennial Design Awards - Call for  
Entries - Deadline for Submissions 1996 April 29
- d) Architectural Conservancy of Ontario - Briefing Papers

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

**8. ADJOURNMENT**





Monday, 1996 February 26  
1:00 o'clock p.m.  
Room 264, City Hall

The Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee met.

There were Present: Reg Wheeler, Vice-Chairperson  
Alderman William McCulloch  
Jane Rigby  
Jeffrey Steadman  
Robert Brough  
John Mokrycke  
Rob Hamilton  
Brian Henley

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Regrets: Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Alderman Frank D'Amico

Also present: Nina Chapple, Planning Department  
Joy Dubbeld, Planning Department  
Ann Gillespie, Planning Department  
Mary Pocius, International Village Business Improvement Area  
Helene Fallen, Durand Neighbourhood Association  
Anton Guidinkas, Durand Neighbourhood Association  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary

1. SITE VISIT

At 12:00 o'clock noon just prior to the meeting, Committee Members and Staff toured the new Hamilton GO Centre where renovations to the former T. H. & B. Station are near completion.

2. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

In the absence of the Chairperson, Reg Wheeler, Vice-Chairperson, assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order.

3. PRESENTATION

Custom House/Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre

Greg Sather, McCallum Mokrycke Sather Architects and Charles Hazell, Taylor/Hazell Architects, appeared before the Committee to provide a brief overview of the proposed exterior work, interior renovations and landscaping at the Custom House/Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre located at 51 Stuart Street, Hamilton.

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 February 15 from the Director of the Planning and Development Department respecting the above-noted matter.

Copies of the Executive Summary Final Draft for the Custom House as prepared by Taylor/Hazell Architects Ltd. dated 1996 February were circulated for the Committee's information.

Charles Hazell advised Committee Members that they made a similar presentation to the Ontario Heritage Foundation last week and would welcome any comments from the Committee on the proposed restoration, stabilization and reconstruction of the Custom House.

Charles Hazell added that it is anticipated that Phase I of the project will be



completed by Labour Day, 1996 and that Phases II and III have been put on hold pending financing from the Federal Government; however, it has been recommended that the Phase II issues should not be left any longer than five years.

Nina Chapple, Planning Department, questioned whether or not any of the proposed changes would affect designated features of the building. Charles Hazell indicated that the basement windows will be blocked in; that a ramp to make the building barrier free will be added to the southeast corner of the building; and, that the chandelier in the front entrance hall will be removed and replaced with period lighting and fixtures.

After some discussion, the Committee approved the following:

That the Executive Summary Final Draft for the Custom House as prepared by Taylor/Hazell Architects Ltd. dated 1996 February, be referred to the Research Sub-Committee to review and report back to the full Committee.

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The Committee was in receipt of the minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1996 January 22. These minutes were adopted as circulated.

5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**James Mountain Road Project**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 February 15 from the Director of the Planning and Development Department respecting the above-noted matter.

Anton Guidinkas, provided the Secretary with a copy of the following: an Information Report dated 1996 February 8 from the Senior Director, Roads Department, to the Chairman and Members of the Transportation Services Committee respecting the turn regulations at James Street South and Markland Street; and, four letters to the Transportation Services Committee from concerned citizens in the neighbourhood supporting the left turn restriction from James Street to Markland Street, both of which were received by the Transportation Services Committee at its meeting held earlier today.

Committee Members were advised that the restriction on left turns into the Durand-Markland Heritage Conservation District from James Street was included in the Durand-Markland Heritage Conservation District Plan which was approved by LACAC on 1994 October 13 and subsequently approved by the Planning and Development Committee on 1994 October 19. Committee Members were advised however, that when the Plan was forwarded to City Council at its 1994 October 25 meeting, the Plan was approved with the exception of the left turn restriction from James Street to Markland Street. This section was subsequently referred to the City's Transport and Environment Committee and Regional Council.

Anton Guidinkas and Helene Fallen from the Durand Neighbourhood Association, suggested that the Committee send a letter to the Transportation Services Committee reiterating the Committee's support for the original Plan which included the left turn restriction.



After some discussion the Committee approved the following:

That City Council advise the Regional Transportation Services Committee that the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee reiterates its approval of the Durand-Markland Heritage Conservation District Plan as prepared for the Corporation of the City of Hamilton by Unterman, McPhail, Cumming Associates and Wendy Shearer Landscape Architect Limited in 1994 November, including the restriction of left turns into the Heritage Conservation District from James Street to Markland Street.

Reg Wheeler wished to be recorded as opposed to this motion.

Committee Members were further advised that the Transportation Services Committee gave approval to staff to proceed with the completion of the James Mountain Road Environmental Assessment without the provision of lay-bys.

6. **DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

a) **Christ's Church Cathedral - Request for Technical Consulting Service**

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 February 16 from the Director of the Planning and Development Department respecting the above-noted matter. The Committee approved the following:

That the City apply on behalf of Christ Church Cathedral for the Technical Consulting Service offered by the Ontario Historical Society in co-operation with the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation for the purpose of repairing the large stained glass window of the east wall of the chancel.

b) **City of Hamilton Board of Education - Properties to be offered for sale**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 February 16 from the Director of the Planning and Development Department respecting the above-noted matter.

Committee Members were advised that the 1930 warehouse building at 220 Dundurn Street South is included in the seven Board of Education properties listed for sale. Committee Members were also advised that the Board of Education is investigating the severance of the Mohawk Trail School property at 360 Mohawk Road West to allow the 1950's school building to be sold and the 1882 school house maintained as a museum.

After some discussion, the Committee approved the following:

- a) That the evaluation of the 1930 warehouse building at the 220 Dundurn Street South for listing on the City's Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest be referred to the Research Sub-Committee; and,
- b) That the Research Sub-Committee consider the possible Designation of the Mohawk Trail School at 360 Mohawk Road West; and,
- c) That Dave Brown, Board of Education for the City of Hamilton, be invited to attend the Research Sub-Committee meeting when these



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items are considered; and,

- d) That the Research Sub-Committee report back to the Committee in this regard.

c) **Burlington Canal Lighthouse and Lightkeeper's House -  
Designation Status**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 February 16 from the Director of the Planning and Development Department respecting the above-noted matter.

Committee Members were advised that the designation of the Burlington Canal Lighthouse and Lightkeeper's House was approved by City Council on 1996 February 13.

Questions were raised however, whether or not the Federal Government, current owner of the Lighthouse and Lightkeeper's dwelling, would be required to apply for a demolition permit if it chose to demolish these buildings.

The Committee approved the following:

That Staff be directed to investigate whether or not the Federal or Provincial Governments would be required to apply for a demolition permit to demolish a federally or provincially-owned designated building and report back to the Committee at the next meeting.

d) **266 - 280 King Street East (listed) Approval of Demolition Permit**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 February 15 from the Director of the Planning and Development Department respecting the above noted matter.

Committee Members were advised that the new owner applied for a demolition permit in 1996 January requesting that the provisions of the Demolition Control By-law be waived due to the deteriorated condition of the building. Committee Members were further advised that the Planning and Development Committee at its meeting held 1996 February 7 gave authorization to the Building Commissioner to issue a demolition permit provided that the new building be substantially completed on the site not more than 2 years from the day of demolition of the existing residential property and that failure to complete the new building within the time specified the City shall collect the maximum of \$20,000. for each of the 17 dwelling units in a like manner as municipal taxes.

The Committee expressed concerns that the provisions of the Demolition Control By-law have be waived and the precedent that this sets for other buildings in the City of Hamilton, such as the Lister Block.

After some discussion, the Committee approved the following:

That Staff be directed to investigate and report back to the Committee on whether or not the conditions placed on the owner of 266-280 King Street East to complete a new building on the site not more than two



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years from the day of demolition and that failure to complete the building in the time specified would result in a fine of \$20,000. for each of the 17 dwelling units to be collected in a like manner as municipal taxes, could be registered on title.

e) **Residential Conversion of Non-Residential Buildings in the Central Business District - Proposed Elimination of Parking Requirements**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 February 16 from the Director of Planning and Development Department respect the above-noted matter. Committee Members were advised that a Public Meeting will be held on this matter.

f) **Heritage Design Study**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 February 16 from the Director of the Planning and Development Department respecting the above-noted matter.

Nina Chapple, Planning Department, presented a number of drawings of the Gore Heritage Design Study for the Committee's information. The Committee approved the following:

That the Gore Heritage Design Study be referred to the Research Sub-Committee for comment with a report back to the full Committee.

In the interest of time, Items 6(g), 6(h) and 6(j) were tabled to the next meeting.

i) **Bellevue, 14 Belvidere Avenue**

Committee Members were advised that the Bellevue building located at 14 Belvidere Avenue is deteriorating because of lack of maintenance and upkeep on the building.

The Committee felt that this is an important building and that LACAC should collect information on this building now so that if something were to happen to the building in the future, requiring action by the Committee, that the information would be readily available.

The Committee approved the following:

That Staff investigate the current status of Bellevue located at 14 Belvidere Avenue and report back to the Committee.

**8. COMMITTEE - SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Committee received for information the following Committee/Sub-Committee reports as circulated with the agenda:

- a) Hamilton Historical Board - Minutes of meeting held 1996 January 16; and,
- b) Central Area Plan Implementation Committee - Minutes of meeting held 1996 January 12; and,

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- c) Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee - Minutes of meeting held 1996 January 8; and,
- d) Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee - Minutes of meeting held 1995 November 8.

**9. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

**West Harbourfront Development Study Concept Plan - Comments from LACAC**

The Committee was in receipt of a memorandum dated 1996 January 16 from the Secretary of the West Harbourfront Development Study respecting the above-noted matter.

As indicated in the memorandum, the Committee approved the following:

That the Committee's comments made at its 1995 October 16 meeting respecting the West Harbourfront Development Study Concept Plan, which includes comments on the impact of the Perimeter Road, be forwarded to the Director of Predesign and Special Projects, Transportation/Environmental Services Group.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

**Taken as read and approved**

**Reg Wheeler, Vice-Chairperson  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee**

**Charlene Touzel, Secretary**





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Peter B. Moore

Secretary of Synod  
Mrs. Judy D. Dodman

February 26, 1996

Ms. Charlene Touzel  
Secretary, Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee  
Office of the City Clerk  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, Ontario L8N 3T4

Dear Ms. Touzel:

In response to your request of February the 15th, I am writing to let you know that the four windows removed from St. George's Church, Hamilton, prior to its sale to the Hamilton Christian Fellowship are stored at All Saints Church, located at King and Queen Streets, Hamilton.

As St. George's Church was originally a part of All Saints parish, it seemed appropriate to store the windows there. My understanding is that it is their intention to use those windows in a narthex to be built in the not too distant future.

If there is any further information you require, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

Yours faithfully

Peter B. Moore  
Executive Officer  
/ad





# CITY OF HAMILTON

## - INFORMATION -

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**DATE:** 1996 March 4

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** St. Mark's Centre - Update

1. In accordance with the recommendation made by the Parks & Recreation Committee (1995 October 24), the St. Mark's Use Committee was set up.  
Members attending one or both of the first two meetings included:

Alderman McCulloch, Chairman

Citizen Group Representatives

Durand Neighbourhood Association: Helene Fallen, Marvin Sheppard,

Anton Gudinskas

Chris Hamilton (seniors' interests; *Geritol Follies*)

Reg Wheeler (LACAC member)

Staff Representatives

Planning Department (Heritage Planning): Nina Chapple, Ann Gillespie

Property Department: Mike Watson

Public Works Department: Bob Chrystian

Culture and Recreation Department: Marilyn Havelka, Ania Latoszek, Cheryl York

Building Department: Peter Lampman

2. This committee was set up to investigate potential uses of the former St. Mark's Anglican Church (s.w. corner Bay and Hunter). It was initially envisaged as a *multi-purpose community facility* serving a wide range of user groups. At the first meeting of the St. Mark's Use Committee, it was agreed to further investigate the feasibility of this proposal by setting up a public meeting to gauge the level of public interest. Accordingly, a public meeting was held in City Hall (1996 January 10) followed by a site visit (Saturday, January 20), both of which were very well attended. User survey forms were distributed with a deadline for submission on February 16th.

3. Written submissions have been received from the following potential user groups:  
Brian Decker - *Haunted House* fund-raising proposal  
Durand Neighbourhood Association  
Scouts Canada  
Visual arts groups: Dundas Valley School of Art; Hamilton and Region Arts Council;  
Women's Art Association of Hamilton  
Drama and dance groups: *Partners in Performance* - drama and dance instruction);  
The Alchemist Theatre; Royal Scottish Country Dance Society  
(Hamilton Branch)  
The *Spiral Garden* Organizing Committee - children's rehabilitation program
4. The second meeting of the St. Mark's Use Committee was held 1996 February 21. It was agreed that there was clearly sufficient public interest in the proposal to convert the former church into a shared community facility (St. Mark's Centre) to proceed with its implementation; a recommendation to this effect will therefore be forwarded to the next Parks and Recreation Committee on March 19th.



*Joint Plaquing Sub-committee Meeting*

*Thursday, February 8, 1996*

*2 p.m. - Property Department Boardroom, 1st Floor, City Hall*

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Present: Gordon Birk, David Beland, Alderman McCulloch.

Also Present: David Adames, Culture and Recreation Department (representing Marilynn Havelka, absent with regrets)

Joy Dubbeld, Planning and Development Department

Absent with Regrets: Diane Dent, Rob Hamilton

1. The minutes of 8 November 1996 were approved as written.
2. **Request for Commemorative Plaque by Mayor for Sesquicentennial**

Alderman McCulloch advised that Mayor Morrow, on behalf of the Sesquicentennial Committee, has requested a Commemorative Plaque recognising the Sesquicentennial and the visit to Hamilton by Governor General Romeo LeBlanc in June. The plaque would be installed in Sam Lawrence Park, subject to City Council approval. It was indicated that the Mayor's office would be handling the funding of this plaque.

The Joint Plaquing Sub-committee agreed to approve a commemorative plaque to recognise the founding of Hamilton and have the matter put forward at the next Hamilton Historical Board (February 13) and LACAC (February 26) meetings.

3. **International Village BIA plaques**

Alderman McCulloch advised that an eighth Heritage Inventory Plaque for 220-230 King Street East was inadvertently left off the list of plaques requested for International Village. This building, and the wording of the plaque, were originally approved by LACAC in 1990, prior to the formation of a Joint Plaquing Sub-committee comprised of the Hamilton Historical Board and LACAC.

The Sub-committee agreed that this plaque could be added to the seven plaques previously approved by both the Hamilton Historical Board and LACAC and be part of the programme on Heritage Day 1996.



**4. Harbour Commission request for Commemorative Plaque - Hamilton's Immigrants**

David Adames, on behalf of Marilyn Havelka, advised that Bob Hennessey of the Hamilton Harbour Commission wants to have a plaque cast (at the HHC's expense) which would commemorate the immigrants who landed in Hamilton.

As this request was still in the preliminary stages (application forms will be sent to Bob Hennessey), the Sub-committee agreed to support the idea in principle and follow up at a later date. A site at the foot of James Street North was discussed as a possibility.

**5. The Nine-Hour Movement, 1872 - Location for Provincial Plaque**

This provincial plaque commemorates the Nine-Hour (Labour) Movement Parade of 15 May 1872. The plaque was officially unveiled in June, 1995 at the Custom House. Paul Litt of the Ontario Heritage Foundation recommends that the plaque be installed in Victoria Park, the end point of the parade.

The Sub-committee agreed to accept the preference of the OHF, as conveyed by staff.

**6. Plaque presentation to Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology to recognise the contribution of the Gartshore Engine to mechanical engineering**

The American and Canadian Societies for Mechanical Engineering will hold a conference in Hamilton in May, 1996. They wish to present a small plaque which will be placed in an exhibit case inside the Museum.

The Sub-committee had no objections to this proposal, considering that the plaque would not be affixed to the building.

**7. Co-operative Union Plaque, Gore Park**

The location of the Co-operative Union plaque was discussed, with respect to its proximity to the soon-to-be-installed Gore Park Fountain and Gore Park Commemorative Plaque.

Alderman McCulloch advised that he will discuss the matter with Parks and Recreation at the appropriate time. When the fountain is installed, changes to the landscaping will provide an opportunity for repositioning.

7. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.  
The next meeting will be held at the call of the Chair.



Monday, 1996 February 12  
4:00 o'clock p.m.  
Room 219, City Hall

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The Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee met.

**There were present:**

Vincenza Travale, Co-Chair  
Milt Lewis, Co-Chair  
Carmen Rizzotto  
Frank DeNardis  
Vito Sgro  
Albert Kergl  
Bill McBride  
Michael Ng  
Dr. John Johnston  
Irene Stayshyn  
Kathryn Honda  
Dr. J. David Richardson  
Trish Simmons  
Leslie Pasis  
Bert Allen  
Joanne Emerson  
David Ricketts  
Daniel Charles  
Vera Papadopoulos  
David McCormack  
Patricia Dellmana  
Jacquie Daigle  
Max Reimer  
Marion McGugan  
Ryan Paquette  
Alfred Halbig  
J. Brian Henley  
Jonathon Morris  
Doris Skorpil  
Mary Krasic  
Joe Krasic

**Also present:**

Lynn Wylie  
Ravinder Ruprai  
Shane Thomson  
Elena James  
Wanda Dzierzbicki  
Kim Scott

**Regrets:**

Cecelia Carter-Smith  
Gayla Brock-Woodland  
Marlene Thomas-Osbourne  
Dennis Missett  
Shelley Merlo-Orzel

## **AGENDA**

Vincenza Travale began the meeting with an opening reflection.

### **1. Theatre Aquarius Presentation**

Dale Hamilton from Theatre Aquarius gave a slide presentation for a proposed project of Collaborative Community Theatre in Hamilton, that would become a Sesqui Legacy Project. The Committee was invited to comment on the project through the use of a questionnaire.

### **2. Minutes of the meeting held Monday, 1996 January 8**

The Committee was in receipt of the minutes of its meeting held Monday, 1996 January 8th. Amendments were made, and the Committee then approved the minutes as amended.

### **3. Co-Chairs Report**

#### **Sesquicentennial Event Guide**

Vincenza Travale presented the Sesqui Event Guide. The Guide, which contains over 400 Sesquicentennial Events, has been sent, through Canada Post, to 169,000 households in the Hamilton-Wentworth area, and a further 300,000 copies have been distributed through Economic Development. Vincenza invited the committee to pick up copies of the Guide at the Sesqui Office for distribution at their own Organizations. Carmen Rizzotto also told the Committee that any new events would be welcome to join this evolving calendar.

#### **Interfaith Committee**

Vincenza and Dr. John Johnston informed the Committee that material has been sent out to every Religious Community in Hamilton-Wentworth for use during the Sesqui Congregational Event Weekend, March 8-10. Dr. Johnston expressed his appreciation for the Sesqui Office Staff for all of their help.

#### **John Holland Awards Gala Dinner**

Vincenza told the Committee that this was an outstanding event. Evelyn Myrie, Marlene Thomas-Osbourne and the Black History Month Committee were thanked and congratulated on their success.



**Jack McDonald Dinner**

Vincie spoke about this successful event, and thanked Bert Allen and Betty McDonald for all of their efforts.

**"High Winds on the Skyway" Art Exhibit**

Vincie reported that the opening of this exhibit at the Art Gallery of Hamilton was a great success. The exhibit runs until August, and the Committee is encouraged to view it.

**Chinese Cultural Association**

Vincie invited the Committee to view an Exhibition of Chinese Artifacts in Honour of Sesqui, located in the Second Floor Lobby at City Hall.

**Hamilton Board of Education**

Vincie reported on the Board's launch for Sesqui on January 19, which included the presentation of a Quilt made by all schools.

**Tribute to First Night Volunteers**

Vincie told the Committee about this successful event, held in honour of the 110 First Night Volunteers.

**Hamilton-Shawinigan Sesquicentennial Weekend**

Vincie informed the Committee that Ryan Paquette has joined Irene Stayshyn as Co-Chair for this project. An official invitation has been sent to the Mayor of Shawinigan for participation in the project. Milt reported that Fern Viola has offered to sing the English and French versions of the National Anthem.

**Bryan Adams**

Vincie reported that the Bryan Adams Concert was enjoyed by all who attended.

**"Sesqui Scenes" Mural Project**

Vincie informed the Committee that, with the co-operation of the City and BIAs, this project is on schedule. Locations have been selected, and completion will be in the summer or fall.



Commemorative Book -- "Hamilton It's Happening"

Vincie advised the Committee that this project is moving along well. The book should be ready for distribution in early June.

Les Pasis

Vincie congratulated Les Pasis for receiving the newly-created 25 years gold pin and certificate from the Province of Ontario, for continuous and meritorious service to mankind.

Sesquicentennial Sports Committee

Vincie presented the Committee with the Sesqui Sports Poster. The poster costs \$1.00, and can be purchased at the Sesqui Office in Jackson Square.

Frank Panabaker Poster

Vincie presented the Committee with the Frank Panabaker poster that is available at the Sesqui Office. Consisting of eight Images of Hamilton, the poster retails for \$19.96.

4. Executive Director's Report

Sesquicentennial Coin

Carmen Rizzotto informed the Committee that the first Sesqui Coin will be presented to the Governor General during his visit on June 8. The coin has Dundurn Castle on one side, and Colin Ferrie on the other. The value of the coin will be \$1.50.

Governor General Day/Sesquicentennial Ball

Carmen told the Committee that the Governor General will be visiting several centres on June 8, and will attend the Sesquicentennial Ball that will be held at the Armouries on James Street.

Sesquicentennial Office in Jackson Square

Carmen informed the Committee that new events are still coming in. He also told the Committee that the Sesqui Logo is available for use for Sesqui Event promotion. Banners are also available for use at specific events through the Sesqui Office.

Carmen took this opportunity to thank the Co-Chairs for their dedicated involvement, and the Sesqui Staff for their hard work.



### Sesqui Sports Committee

Carmen spoke on behalf of Cecelia Carter-Smith, and informed the Committee that the Press Conference of January 10 was a great success. He noted that the Sports Committee is involved with four projects mentioned at the Conference: Hall of Fame Inductions, Poster, Civic Awards and Sports Specific Awards. The Committee was invited to submit recommendations for marketing of the Sports Projects.

### Commemorative Book

Carmen reported that full-page advertising for the book is in place. Further advertising will be in the form of the "150 Club", a line listing in the book purchased for \$150 (application form attached).

## **5. Committee Reports**

### Interfaith Committee

Dr. John Johnston related his deepest appreciation to the Sesqui Office Staff for all of their help.

### Cabaret Casino

Vito Sgro informed the Committee that this event will take place during the second week of November if Copps Coliseum is available. Proceeds will go to the United Way.

### Mardi Gras

Albert Kergl told the Committee that this event is set for May 18 and 19. Tickets will be \$10.96 (GST inc.) and will be available at the Sesqui Office. Milt Lewis will be asking the CIBC to also sell tickets. Saturday evening will be an adult event with costumes. Sunday will be the Children's day, with a 15-20 float parade, starting at 1:00 pm. Local groups have already committed to parade participation, with Ed Cummings and Herb Allan as Parade Co-ordinators, and Gordie Tapp as a possible Honourary Parade Marshall.

### Sesqui Super Home on Paradise Lottery

Frank DeNardis informed the Committee that we are now in the second phase of Corporate Fundraising for Sesqui for supporting legacy projects, which will be done through a House Lottery. Frank told the Committee that this unique lottery will be in the spirit of the Ken Soble Dream Home for Manitoba Flood Relief. Peter DeSantis of Homes by DeSantis will be building the home, and many of the prizes have already been donated.



**Public Speaking**

Patricia Amos reported that planning is proceeding for the Public Speaking Contest. She told the Committee that recruitment of famous Hamiltonians for judging is currently taking place, and asked the Committee for any suggestions for potential judges.

**Vera Papadopoulos**

Vera took the opportunity to thank Sesqui the Mascot for his participation at the Daughters of Penelope Dinner Dance on February 10. Kim Scott expressed the Mascot's thanks in kind.

**6. Other Business**

**Harvey's Restaurants**

Mary and Joe Krasic informed the Committee that, as owners of several Harvey's restaurants in the area, they would like to get involved with Sesqui.

**7. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

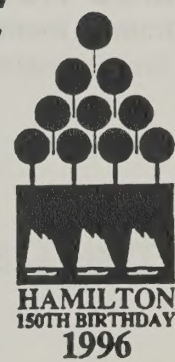
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Hamilton Sesquicentennial Committee

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**a Subcommittee of the Planning and Development Committ**  
c/o CITY HALL, 71 MAIN STREET WEST, HAMILTON, ONTARIO, L8N 3T4

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## MINUTES

### CENTRAL AREA PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

City Hall, Room 233

Friday, February 9, 1996

#### MEMBERS ATTENDING

Mary Pocius - Chairperson  
Alderman Caplan  
Russell Elman  
Gil Simmons  
Ron Faichney  
James Wilson  
Paul Ortmann  
Graeme McTaggart  
Karen Wood  
Gerry Kennedy

International Village BIA  
Alderman, Ward 1  
Durand Neighbourhood Association  
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Senior Citizens Council  
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Stinson Community Association  
Downtown Hamilton BIA  
Physically Disabled Committee  
Metropolitan Hamilton Real Estate Board

#### REGRETS

Scott Maltman  
John Eyles  
Art Lomax  
Greg Fraleigh

Corktown Neighbourhood Association  
McMaster University  
Hamilton Automobile Club  
Citizen-at-Large

#### STAFF AND OTHERS

Yvonne Potruff  
Manuel Ventura  
Vladimir Matus  
Nina Chapple  
Vanessa Grupe - Coordinator

Beasley Neighbourhood  
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#### 1. Chairperson's Remarks

Mary Pocius opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m., asked all present to introduce themselves, and welcomed the two new members from Beasley, Yvonne Potruff and Manuel Ventura.



2. Minutes of January 12, 1996 CAPIC Meeting

**Motion:** It was moved by Gil Simmons and seconded by Karen Wood that the minutes of the January 12, 1996 CAPIC meeting be adopted. **Carried.**

3. Gore Heritage Design Study and Other Heritage Matters

a) Presentation and Discussion on Gore Heritage Study

Nina Chapple, Heritage Planner with LACAC staff, of the Planning Department, provided a presentation on this study; which had been recently initiated by LACAC staff at the request of Mayor Morrow. As background to the study, the Mayor's Task Force in 1994 recommended a 7 point program, including a designated heritage district in the downtown to protect the streetscape. The Hamilton Downtown 1995 report of the Economic Development Dept. had 3 key objectives, one of which was a designated heritage area. It is felt there is a great opportunity to conserve a superb historic streetscape.

The goals of the study are to create a lively, attractive and energetic downtown core; to create a positive image of the Gore and the City; and to capitalize on the city's own distinct identity and unique character.

The study focuses on the Gore streetscape, and concentrates on 3 aspects:

- storefronts, signage and sidewalks - establishes vitality of area, focus on use;
- architectural framework - upper stories - focus on architecture and history;
- in-fill buildings - ensures quality of Gore respected, focus on compatibility.

A three step method is applied to each component of the Gore streetscape:

1. provides analysis of existing condition, noting beneficial and detrimental aspects;
2. provides a future vision, thereby establishing a common goal;
3. discusses potential guidelines and incentives to achieve future vision.

Slides were shown, illustrating the history and significance of the Gore area, with themes such as rare garden park; place for gathering and celebration; continuous enclosing wall; very high density is presently permitted; threat of demolition; renovations now mean tax increases. Display panels indicated "before" and "after" versions of the building facades for each of the blocks, showing the original facades restored, and modern signs removed.

If a common vision is adopted for the maintenance / enhancement of the Gore Streetscape, then a coordinate plan can be carried out, including:

- Establish Special Policy Area for the Gore;
- Guidelines for Building Improvement;
- Urban Design Guidelines (improvements for pedestrians);
- Funding Assistance Programs (deferment of tax increases);
- Development Permit System (guidelines for building envelope, signage, infill)
- Other eg. demolition control; coordinating economic development, etc.



During the question and answer period, points such as the following were raised:

- ownership of buildings - must go after the owners to sell them on this approach;
- on-street parking - is this being considered;
- property standards - enforced on a complaint basis;
- buses - what should their role be in the core - how visible ?
- heritage district - what type of one to create ?
- development permit approach - to be discussed at next CAPIC;
- deal with whole block, not just facade;
- implications of any tax cuts on City revenues.

b) Victoria Hall and MacKay Building

The report to Planning and Development Committee, dated January 16, 1996 and included in the agenda package, indicated CAPIC's support for the preservation of these buildings, and for the formation of an ad hoc committee.

Nina Chapple noted that a very productive meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee had been held on January 22, 1996. David House, Director of Project Development, Adason Properties Ltd., had provided insights into rehabilitation of other heritage buildings, and proposed a course of action. He said the City needs to first purchase or expropriate; then prepare a detailed Request for Proposals, for bids on costs of clearly-defined renovations. Options include preserving only the facade, to front a new building; renovating only the first 2 floors; and renting to Tourism Services or the Downtown Development Corporation.

Alderman McCulloch had said the owner was willing to exchange the property for 2 City properties. He offered to talk with the Mayor about the possible land exchange, and to set up a meeting with the Mayor and owner about this. He also offered to set up a meeting with the Mayor and Regional Chairman to work out a rental agreement for Regional office use.

c) St. Marks' Use Study

Submissions were being received following the January 12 public meeting, up to the deadline of February 16. Many interesting proposals had been received, for such uses as theatre; seniors drop-in centre, etc.

d) Heritage Day

Monday, February 19 was Heritage Day. All were invited to the ceremony in the Council Chambers at City Hall at 12:00 noon. The ceremony is to be a special one, due to the Sesquicentennial, with the Minister of Culture attending. There will be several speakers, special guests, awards and presentations.

4. Urban Design

a) Actions by Staff and Sub-Committee



Staff have contacted urban design professionals from many other municipalities, who have generally expressed a great deal of interest in meeting as a group to discuss design issues, solutions and success stories. Staff will proceed to set up this meeting. Several ideas are being reviewed for public education events, including a film which gives a light-hearted approach to modern design, which would be shown along with a panel discussion. The next meeting of the Urban Design Sub-Committee, to discuss these and other actions, will be held on February 21, 1996.

The development permit approach, as an alternative to conventional zoning, will be discussed at the next CAPIC meeting. Reading material will be sent out in advance, and Vladimir will provide a presentation on aspects of this approach. Members are strongly encouraged to review the background reading which will be sent out. Russell Elman asked for information also to be provided on the present site plan application process, for the sake of comparison.

## 5. Business Arising

### a) Current Focus, Membership and Action Plan

A report dated January 30, 1996 was forwarded to the Planning and Development Committee (copies distributed), outlining the current membership, focus, and goals for 1996. Sherry Wang, citizen-at-large, has tendered her resignation in a recent letter, due changes in her employment. Several people were suggested to replace her, including Helen Kirkpatrick and Beverly Globus.

**Motion:** It was moved by Alderman Caplan and seconded by Gil Simmons that Helen Kirkpatrick be invited to join CAPIC as citizen-at-large. **Carried.**

### b) Economics of Downtown

Gil Simmons and John Eyles had previously suggested Peter George at McMaster, or Pamela Blaise, as good speakers or resource people. Dr. David Foote, demographer and economist from the University of Toronto, was recommended by Mary Pocius. He was speaker at a business development seminar, and was excellent. He could be asked to speak at a public forum. Mary has demographics and forecasts he provided, and his phone number.

## 6. Status Reports

### a) Downtown Development Corporation

Gil Simmons reported the all day visioning session had been held Wed. February 7. There is a list of the top 10 issues, of which the highest priority is tax reform, and the second is housing downtown, which could take different forms. Other issues include heritage, parking, transit, traffic flow. There will be much action now that priorities are set. Mary Pocius felt that CAPIC will be a very important source for research and information as input to the DCDC, as in the case of the public forums on downtown.



The Province has been reluctant to set a precedent in Hamilton regarding taxation, but the matter is being pursued, and the amount of annual lost revenue is a strong argument for tax reform. The City is trying to create an economic zone or activity area in which monies can be put into renovating buildings, rather than paying increased taxes due to improvements.

b) CN Station

Nina Chapple has met with the person who controls heating, who has agreed to keep the heat after the movie, to help maintain the building. The Mayor sent a letter to the president of C.N., asking for heating. There are rumours of a sale to a Hamilton firm, which must yet be approved by Ottawa.

c) GO Station / Advisory Committee on GO Transit

LACAC is planning a tour of the GO Station on February 26, which may be open to CAPIC members. The opening date may be May 29, or perhaps May 8 when Prince Charles is in Hamilton.

Gil Simmons noted that the Advisory Committee on GO Transit has not met since June, due to staff shortages, and that this committee's role could be focused more on the area surrounding the station, which is largely a design matter. Therefore, she suggested it be merged with the Urban Design Sub-Committee which has been meeting almost monthly. **Motion:** It was moved by Gil Simmons and seconded by Karen Wood that the Urban Design Sub-Committee and the Advisory Committee on GO Transit be amalgamated. **Carried.** The mandate of this committee is to be clearly defined.

The lack of parking at the Hunter St. GO Station was discussed. Use of the Health Building for this is being discussed again. There are still many people who assume that there will be parking provided. CAPIC's positions on these matters need to be restated for the benefit of all.

d) Official Plan Review

Vanessa said the information brochures are still being prepared, and should be finalized by mid-March. The public outreach phase is being designed, and will include meetings with numerous community groups and mall displays.

7. Members Reports

- a) Ron Faichney felt it is important to get moving on tax reform, so that the \$22 in taxes per square foot in downtown does not continue.
- b) Graeme McTaggart noted the Feb. 23 public meeting on the removal of the parking requirements for downtown residential uses. He felt this would be supported by some developers and parking lot owners, but had some concerns about who would want it. Russell Elman said it is a matter of equity - should you park in your own building ?
- c) Paul Ortmann said the Stinson Neigh. Assoc'n AGM will be on Feb. 19, and will kick off the neighbourhood plan review. Brenda Mitchell will be going to Ottawa to present



the criteria developed regarding dangerous offenders. They continue to work with the police, and are holding the 5th annual Night Out this week. A teen centre is proposed.

- d) James Wilson enjoyed the letter to the Spectator by Ernie Geisel, feels he has some useful knowledge, and would like to see him on CAPIC. Russell said perhaps we could invite him to a meeting, to speak with us.
- e) Russell Elman asked about the status of James Mountain Road, which will be checked.
- f) Gil Simmons said BARC is trying to convince the federal government to improve the Hamilton Beach lighthouse.
- g) Yvonne Potruff said Beasley is having an event on Feb. 17 with Neighbourhood Watch.
- h) Gerry Kennedy felt existing parking regulations are confusing, and might be explained. It is proposed that the April CAPIC meeting address the issue of parking.
- i) Karen Wood noted there is a new sub-committee of Pathways (a sub-committee of Physically Disabled Cttee), to develop standards for pedestrian access in outdoor spaces.
- j) Mary Pocius said there is a proposal for the Ammendolia property at 266-280 King St. E., to develop commercial offices and 120 rental apartments. This is a welcome turn for this building, which has dropped in value and been vacant for some time - eastern anchor.

8. Next Meeting The next regular CAPIC meeting is scheduled for March 8, 1996.

9. Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.



ROADS DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

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**TO:** *Nina Chapple*  
Planning Department  
City of Hamilton

**YOUR FILE:**

**FROM:** Pamela Hubbard, Environmental Planner  
Roads Department

**OUR FILE:**  
**PHONE:**

**SUBJECT:** *Victoria Inn*  
Archaeological Report

**DATE:** January 4, 1996

I have just received a summary report for the Victoria Inn. The report includes a photograph catalogue, registry of artifacts, site plans, minutes and bylaws for Saltfleet, copies of historical documents and a paper written by the author on clay pipes found at the site. We received only one copy of the report and photographs, therefore, we do not have any for circulation. However, if you wish to borrow the reports or view the report in this office, please do so.

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# UPCOMING SESQUICENTENNIAL EVENTS

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March/ April/ May 1996

## ART GALLERY OF HAMILTON (527-6610)

now until Aug. 11                      Sesquicentennial Exhibition: "High Winds on the Skyway"

## HAMILTON PUBLIC LIBRARY - Lecture Series (546-3410)

March 27                      "1896 Hamilton: the City's 50th Year"  
April 24                      "1946 Hamilton: Ambitious Centenarian"

## CANADIAN WARPLANE HERITAGE MUSEUM (679-4183)

April 26                      Grand Opening (of new facility)  
(still tentative)

## ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVANCY OF ONTARIO, Hamilton Branch - Architectural Walking/ Bus Tours

May 12                      James Street South Walk (led by Megan Hobson and Sharon  
Vattay; starts at Whitehern at 1:00 p.m.)  
First of six guided tours planned for Sundays from May to September.  
Other ACO guides: Rob Hamilton, Ken Coit, Jean Rosenfeld, Ann Gillespie.  
Industrial Landmarks Bus Tour, June 9; guide: Tony Butler.

For more information, contact Rob (524-2350), Ken (523-0637/ 637-7352) or  
Ann (Planning & Development Department, 546-3934)

## ONTARIO WORKERS' ARTS & HERITAGE CENTRE (522-3003)

May (dates to                      Walking Tour Launch/ The Workers' City Walking Tours  
be confirmed)  
May 28-29                      Conference: "What We Fought For", Ontario Workers' Struggles,  
1935-1995

## HAMILTON SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS

June 22 weekend                      Sesquicentennial Celebration and Design Awards Exhibition,  
(still tentative)                      du Maurier Centre Ltd.  
For more information, contact Ken Coit (637-7352).

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# UPCOMING REGIONAL EVENTS

Monday April 24th 1994

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TO: ANN GILLESPIE - CITY OF HAMILTON  
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**Design Awards**

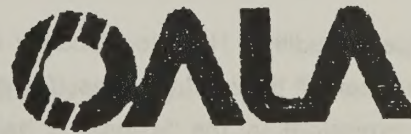
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FROM

Ken Coit

637-7352



**HAMILTON SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTS  
Sesquicentennial Subcommittee  
Sesquicentennial (1846 - 1996) Design Awards**

**CALL FOR ENTRIES**

**Purpose**

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- To promote public awareness and appreciation of the high quality of design in this community.
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**Jury**

- The Jury shall consist of one member from each of the following professional organisations: Ontario Association of Architects, Ontario Association of Landscape Architects, the Ontario Professional Planners Institute, City of Hamilton's L.A.C.A.C., (architectural journalist).

**Awards**

- Special edition Hamilton Society of Architects "Leather Medal Awards", as well as a limited number of "bronze" plaques (for exterior application) will be presented for the award winning submissions to; the designer or heirs, client or heirs, current owner, or if in public ownership on behalf of the public in general; at the Sesquicentennial Design Awards Ceremony. The Leather Metal Awards honouring the work of deceased planners, architects and landscape architects will be issued in the form of a exterior plaque acknowledging the author of the submission.
- Award winning entries will be retained by the Hamilton Society of Architects for an exhibition tour.
  - Each entry will be accredited and displayed at various public locations throughout the City of Hamilton for a three to four week period, exact dates and locations will be announced. Awards will be announced and presented on the grand finale day of the HSA Sesquicentennial Celebration, date, location and time will be announced.



## Eligibility

### *Architects*

- Submissions are open to the work of registered architects holding valid Certificates of Practice in the Province of Ontario at the time of the commission for work completed since 1984. Buildings and works completed by architects prior to 1937 can be submitted without registration or Certificate of Practice requirements.

### *Members of the Public*

- Nominations from members of the public for awards for work meeting the criteria are welcome and encouraged. On behalf of the nominee, panels will be prepared by the Hamilton Society of Architects in consultation with the nominating party.

### *Planners*

- Submissions are granted to Projects in the field of Planning.

### *Landscape Architects*

- Submissions are open to the work of landscape architects who were members of the Ontario Association of Landscape Architects at the time of commission. Landscape installations, site works, or other open spaces completed by landscape designers prior to January 1, 1989 are also eligible for submission.

***Excluded from submitting are the professional advisor, members of the jury, and their associates, partners, employees or relatives.***

### *Projects*

- Projects must be located within the present day boundaries of the City of Hamilton completed since 1846 and need not be currently in existence.
- Entries may be for buildings, structures, landscapes, fountains, sculptures, planning initiatives, urban spaces and other forms of built element contributing to the City.
- All sizes of projects will be considered for awards. Small, modest designs demonstrating design excellence will be recognised and considered equally with large scale projects.



## Rules

- The submissions are to be mounted on 24" x 36" panels containing renderings, drawings, photographs, descriptive anecdotal text (maximum 250 words) and other relevant graphic images sufficient to describe the project. Limit of one panel per project.
- The number of submissions from an individual applicant are not restricted in number. However, each project must have a separate submission form attached to the back of the panel.
- Submission panels shall bear no names or marks that could identify the architect or the owner.
- A completed Entry Form providing credit in conformance with the Architects Act and Regulations, must accompany each submission and shall be contained in an unmarked, sealed envelope, attached to the back of each submission panel.
- Submissions shall abide by Section 42 subsection 31 of Ontario Regulation 27 (O/Reg 380/95) under the Architects Act which prohibits: *"Misrepresenting the practice of architecture carried on by the member or holder, or the qualifications, experience or capabilities of the member or holder or an office, director, partner or employee of the member or holder"*.
- Submissions which do not conform to the eligibility, rules, and requirements, will not be considered.

## Agreement

- By entering submissions it is understood that the architect, landscape architect, urban planner or the surviving or controlling estate in the case of historical work has:
  - Given permission to the Awards Committee to publish and exhibit the submission.
  - Obtained clearance from the photographer for the use of such, on the submission.
  - Ensured that the current owner has agreed to the publication and exhibition of the project, and that should the project be an award recipient, agreed that additional photographs be taken for the purpose of publication. (The name of the owner and address of the project can be omitted from the exhibition and the publicity releases if this is indicated with the submission.)
  - Agreed to the submission becoming the property of the Hamilton Society of Architect
  - While every precaution will be taken to safeguard the submissions, the sponsors will not be responsible for loss or damage.

## Deadline

- All Submissions must be addressed to: Hamilton Society of Architects, Sesquicentennial Design Awards, c/o P.I.L., 118 Jackson St., E., Hamilton, Ontario. L8N 1L3. (905-546-1010 / fax 905-546-1011 att: Sergio Manchia) to arrive no later than 4:30 p.m. on Monday, April 29, 1996.



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## Sesquicentennial Subcommittee\*

## Sesquicentennial Design Awards

### SUBMISSION FORM

**Description of Submission:**

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### Submission Checklist

- ☐ Submissions are mounted on correct size panels (24 x 36") with only 1 panel per project
- ☐ Submission bears no names that can identify the author other than on the submission form.
- ☐ Completed entry form inserted in a sealed envelope fastened to the back of the panel
- ☐ Descriptive text identifying the project, designer and owner for display purposes

**Agreement:** Submission may be retained by the Committee for exhibition purposes.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Deadline for all Submissions: Monday, April 29, 1996, at 4:30pm. Local time, delivered to the following location:**

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(Sergio Manchia - (905) 546-1010 / fax (905) 546-1011 )

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Briefing Paper No. 4 -- Branch Activities -- and Briefing Paper No. 5 -- Membership -- will be published soon. We will also have a leaflet describing three Toronto ecotours for sale to small groups. If you would like either briefing paper or the leaflet, please call me at (416) 921-5324 or fax me at (416) 921-6909.

In addition, I would be glad to answer any of your questions about the programs outlined in Briefing Papers Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 6.

Yours sincerely

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Consulting Heritage Manager

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*Briefing Paper No. 1*

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*Since 1972, the Advisory Board of The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario has been providing preliminary advice on a wide range of heritage conservation matters.*

*The Advisory Board community service program is essentially a referral service. We match a client with a member from the Advisory Board - conservation architects, engineers, landscape architects and historians - who volunteer their time. The Advisory Board member spends up to one day in the field and another day writing a brief report. We endeavour not to go beyond the stage of initial advice and recommend that a professional be engaged when a project passes the initial stage.*

*Clients can include: Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committees, museums, historical societies, private property owners, government departments or corporations, counties and regional governments, municipalities without LACACs, conservation authorities, citizens' groups, concerned individuals and branches of The Architectural Conservancy.*

*Requests for service can include a wide range of heritage conservation matters. A list of these are provided overleaf.*

*In 1995, nine Advisory Board reports were written, providing architectural description and evaluation, historical research, structural analysis, assessment of present-day conditions, suggestions for repair and restoration and photographic documentation.*

*For the service, there is a nominal charge of \$150.00 made as a donation to The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario. The donation entitles the client to a year's membership in the organization. The client is also responsible for the out-of-pocket expenses of the Advisory Board member who does the work - mileage, photography, long-distance telephone calls, etc. As the program is not self-supporting and relies on additional assistance from the general revenue of the nonprofit Architectural Conservancy of Ontario, donations in excess of \$150.00 are welcomed.*

*To make a request for service, ask Paul Dilse, Consulting Heritage Manager, for our simple, two-page request form. Please contact Paul at (416) 921-5324.*



## Advisory Board Requests for Service

1. *Description and evaluation of a property's architectural or historical merit.*
2. *Information on criteria to evaluate heritage properties.*
3. *Survey of building conditions.*
4. *Approaches to repairs, upgrades and restoration.*
5. *Suggestions for reusing vacant buildings.*
6. *Comments on redevelopment proposals.*
7. *Strategies for threats to buildings, including demolition, renovation, redevelopment, closing or removal.*
8. *Direction in as-found recording of buildings prior to demolition or removal.*
9. *Architectural photography and architectural concept sketches for conservation projects.*
10. *Explanation of the designation process in the Ontario Heritage Act.*
11. *Guidelines for the interpretation and commemoration of buildings or landscapes.*
12. *Historical research.*
13. *Title searches.*
14. *Bibliographic searches of conservation or architectural literature held in Toronto.*
15. *Approaches for fund raising to save buildings or landscapes.*
16. *Suggestions for the preservation of historical roads or plantings.*
17. *Identification of heritage character along highways.*
18. *Direction in the drafting of terms of reference for heritage planning studies.*
19. *Guidelines for boundary delineation of heritage conservation districts.*
20. *Suggestions for mitigation of effects from cemetery closings.*
21. *Review of reports that recommend building or landscape destruction.*
22. *Letters of support for heritage conservation.*





*Briefing Paper No. 2*

**The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario**

**Training**

*Each year, The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario offers a nonprofit workshop on a technical aspect of architectural conservation for volunteer practitioners and front-line municipal employees. In 1996, the topic is **Documentation at Every Stage of a Heritage Conservation Project**.*

*Documentation at Every Stage outlines the steps to follow in a building conservation project -- from the initial visual survey to post-project monitoring. We illuminate sometimes-confusing terms such as "as-found recording" or "conservation plan", and uncover some of the mysteries of historical research.*

*The instructors for the half-day session are Paul Dilse, Su Murdoch and Denis Héroux -- all members of the Advisory Board of the ACO. Paul Dilse, consulting heritage manager for the organization, has a background in heritage planning and in adult education. Archivist and historian, Su Murdoch, has written several publications, including Looking Both Ways: A Resource Kit for the Study of Built Heritage in Simcoe County. Denis Héroux, architectural conservation technologist at The Ontario Heritage Foundation, administers projects involving as-found recording, conditions assessment and construction drawings.*

*Your registration for **Documentation at Every Stage of a Heritage Conservation Project** includes a pre-workshop needs assessment, instruction, case study material, refreshments and a take-home study kit. Enrollment is limited to 15 students.*

*In addition to the annual workshop, The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario offers any group of 15 to 20 a workshop on a topic of their own choosing, in the location of their choice. In 1995, The Architectural Conservancy led a workshop on inspecting heritage buildings for City of Toronto staff. Custom-made but nonprofit, your workshop can address a specific need for volunteer practitioners and municipal employees in your community. The fee schedule for training services is available by calling Paul Dilse at (416) 921-5324.*

*Don't miss **Documentation at Every Stage**. Those who attended the 1995 workshop, **Using Ontario Legislation Effectively for Heritage Conservation**, gave us top marks!*



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**Documentation at Every Stage of a Heritage Conservation Project**

*Saturday, November 16, 1996, 1:00-6:00 pm*

*Ontario Heritage Centre, 10 Adelaide Street East, Toronto*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
(Day) (Evening) (Fax)

Workshop (GST not charged) \_\_\_\_\_ @ 74.00 per person Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your cheque payable to "The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario" and mail to:

*Paul Dilse, Consulting Heritage Manager*

**The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario**

*Suite 929, 85 Bleecker Street*

*Toronto, Ontario*

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We will send a letter of confirmation. For more information please call (416) 921-5324.

Note: If The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario cancels the workshop, money will be refunded.



Briefing Paper No. 3  
The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario

**Publications**

*The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario offers the following books, monographs and booklets for sale.*

Dan Atkinson, Ed., *A Decade of Sundays: Quinte Walking Tours*, 1994. \$15.00 (New Price!)

Julia Beck and Alec Keefer, Ed., *Vernacular Architecture in Ontario: Proceedings of a conference held in Brantford, April 1992, 1993*. \$15.00

Angela Carr, Ed., *A Selected Bibliography of Vernacular Architecture in Ontario*, 1993. \$2.50

Howard D. Chapman, *Alfred Chapman Architect, 1879-1949: The man and his work*, 1978. \$5.00

Paul Dilse, *Toronto's Theatre Block: An Architectural History*, 1989. \$12.95

Marion Walker Garland, *Architectural Terms*, 1982. \$2.00

----, *Check The Style of Ontario Architecture*, n.d. \$2.00

Alice Gibb et al., *Brackets & Bargeboards: Architectural walks in London, Ontario*, 1989. \$12.00

Elizabeth Ingolfssrud and Alec Keefer, *Kingsway Park: Triumph in Design. An Architectural Study of a Planned Community, Etobicoke, 1924-1947*, 1994. \$25.00

Alec Keefer, *A Study of Rusholme Road*, 1991. \$5.00

----, *Terra Cotta: Artful Deceivers*, 1990. \$15.00

Carolyn Neal, *Eden Smith•Architect, 1858-1949*, 1976. \$5.00

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Briefing Paper No. 6  
The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario

### Annual Conference

*For the last several years, The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario has run a conference alongside its annual general members' meeting. In 1996, the theme of the two-day conference is Interior Stories: The Restoration of Interior Spaces in Ontario's Buildings.*

#### *Speakers include:*

- \* Peter Elliott of the Ontario Heritage Foundation, presenting Ontario Interiors: Properties held in trust by the Ontario Heritage Foundation*
- \* Donald Schmitt of A.J. Diamond, Donald Schmitt & Company, The Legislature at Queen's Park*
- \* Rev. Dr. J. Finn, Restoration of St. Patrick's Church, Lucan*
- \* Fred Cane of the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation, Historic Photographs of Late Victorian Domestic Interiors in Ontario*
- \* Gerald Doyle of the Ontario Realty Corporation, Conversion of the Hamilton Post Office to a Provincial Courthouse*
- \* Ross Hanham of Garwood-Jones & Hanham, Conversion of the Toronto-Hamilton-Buffalo Railway Station to a GO Train Station for Hamilton*
- \* Pat Warren of the Capitol Theatre and Arts Centre, Capitol Theatre, Windsor*
- \* Sandy Smallwood of Andrex Holdings, Fleck-Paterson and Wallis Houses and 190 Bronson Avenue, Ottawa*
- \* Catriona Dunnet of Guy Evans Limited (U.K.), Replicating Interior Materials*
- \* Melissa Gordon of the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation, Understanding Interiors and How to Record Them*
- \* Sheila Johnson, Curator of the Woodstock Museum, Restoration of the Woodstock Opera House*

*In addition to presentations, your conference host, the Oxford County branch of The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario (Heritage Oxford), is organizing a bus tour of Oxford County buildings. The conference, which ends with the bus tour Saturday afternoon, is followed by the annual general members' meeting of The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario.*

*Please join us in Woodstock for Interior Stories. A registration form is provided overleaf.*



## Registration for Interior Stories

*Interior Stories: The Restoration of Interior Spaces in Ontario's Buildings*

*Friday April 19 and Saturday April 20, 1996*

*New St. Paul's Anglican Church, Woodstock*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
(day) (evening) (fax)

Conference @ \$70.00 per person (includes Friday lunch)

or \$55.00 per person if an ACO member x \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Tour @ \$25.00 per person (includes Saturday lunch) x \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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### Note:

- \* GST not charged
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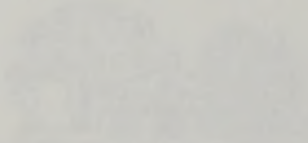
Jack Hedges, Chairman

Woodstock Conference

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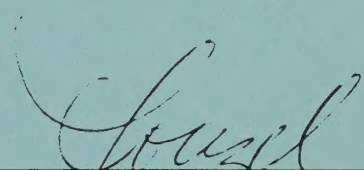
## NOTICE OF MEETING

### Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

Monday, 1996 May 13

12:00 noon

Room 233, City Hall

  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee

## A G E N D A

### A. SITE VISIT - 11:15 a.m.

Hamilton GO Centre - Norbert Sebris (GO-Transit) and Ross Hanham (Garwood-Jones and Hanham Architects) (no copy)

### 1. PRESENTATION

Hamilton Courthouse - Jack Lemay and Norm McMurrick, Architects, Norr Partnership Ltd.; Reg Watkins, Project Manager; and, Bill Greer, Heritage Consultant (no copy)

### 2. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

St. Mark's Centre (no copy)

### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1996 April 15

### 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a) Hamilton Society of Architects - Sesquicentennial Design Awards - Short list of Nominations





- b) Custom House/Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre - Cost comparison for blocking up versus restoring four basement windows
- c) Board of Education properties at 360 Mohawk Road West and 220 Dundurn Street South - Proposed Sale
- d) Summer Employment Experience Program (S.E.E.P.) - Approval of one 8-week position (no copy)
- e) Cityview: Hamilton's Plan for Tomorrow - Request for Public Input into new Official Plan
- f) Proposed Guidelines for Removal of Designated Heritage Features
- g) Heritage Community Recognition Program - Request for Nominations (tabled from last meeting) (no copy)

5. **DIRECTOR OF LOCAL PLANNING**

- a) Dundurn Castle - Heritage Permit for Renovations to Stable Building
- b) Pigott/Sun Life Buildings - Heritage Permit Application for sign, banners, and installation of security cameras
- c) Gore Heritage Design Study - rating of individual buildings

**UPDATES**

- d) MacNab-Charles Heritage Conservation District - Streetscaping Improvements (Spectator article, 1996 April 25; site plan available at meeting)
- e) Lister Block
  - (i) Conservation Review Board Hearing, 1996 May 8 and 9, City Hall, 10:00 a.m. (no copy)
  - (ii) Mural Project (Spectator article, 1996 April 24)
- f) Victoria Hall/MacKay Building (no copy)
- g) Downtown Design Charrette (no copy)

6. **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee (no copy)





7. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- a) Waterfront Trail Newsletter- April 1996 (vol. 2, no. 2)
- b) "Historic [Hermitage] ruins in danger of collapse", The Spectator, 1996 April 25
- c) Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology - Hamilton's First Waterworks: Thomas Keefer's Grand Plan and information on Annual General Meeting and Collections Management Workshop

8. **OTHER BUSINESS**

9. **ADJOURNMENT**





Monday, 1996 April 15  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 233, City Hall

The Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee met.

**There were Present:** Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Reg Wheeler, Vice-Chairperson  
Alderman William McCulloch  
Brian Henley  
Jeffrey Steadman  
Rob Hamilton

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**Regrets:** Alderman Frank D'Amico  
Rob Brough  
Jane Rigby  
John Mokrycke

**Also Present:** Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department  
Ann Gillespie, Planning and Development Department  
Joy Dubbeld, Planning and Development Department  
Vanessa Grupe, Planning and Development Department  
Marilynn Havelka, Culture and Recreation Department  
Doug Rieger, Hamilton Street Railway  
Bill O'Brien, Hamilton Street Railway  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary

Given that a few of the Committee Members had to leave early, the Committee agreed to move Items 5(j) and 5(k) up on the agenda.

5. **DIRECTOR, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

(j) **St. Mark's Centre**

Alderman McCulloch reported that the St. Mark's Use Committee has been approached by a local Service Club that may be interested in making the St. Mark's Centre one of its ongoing capital projects, which would mean a sizable contribution to restore the grounds and a large capital investment into the building itself. Alderman McCulloch indicated that he will be meeting with the Service Club's President in the near future and agreed to keep the Committee informed of any progress in this regard.

(k) **Victoria Hall/MacKay Building**

Alderman McCulloch informed Committee Members that an outside developer is actively pursuing the purchase of Victoria Hall. A meeting was held with the Mayor, Regional Chairman and various City and Regional Staff to discuss the possibility of the City purchasing this building from the current owner at a fair market value and immediately selling it to the interested developer. Alderman McCulloch agreed to keep the Committee informed of further developments in this regard.

1. **PRESENTATIONS**

(a) **Proposed Installation of Bus Shelters in Gore Park**

The Committee was in receipt of a memorandum dated 1996 March 29 from the Manager of Parks, Department of Public Works and Traffic, respecting the above-noted matter.

Bill O'Brien and Doug Rieger, Hamilton Street Railway, were in attendance to make a presentation on the four bus shelters proposed for Gore Park.

Bill O'Brien informed the Committee that the Parks and Recreation Committee at its meeting held 1996 March 19 directed Staff to meet with the affected stakeholders and to report back to the Parks and Recreation Committee in 1996 May.

A Plan indicating the proposed location for the four bus shelters (2 to be installed in 1996 and 2 to be installed in 1997) as well as a photograph of the proposed Victorian-roof design bus shelter were presented for the Committee's information.

The design and the need for bus shelters in this area were questioned and concerns respecting the integrity of the Park were raised.

After considerable discussion, the Committee approved the following:

- (a) That in an effort to preserve the integrity of Gore Park, that the Hamilton Street Railway be informed that the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee does not support its proposal to install four bus shelters in Gore Park; and,
- (b) That the Hamilton Street Railway be encouraged to seek other alternative bus shelter locations in the immediate area (King-James-John Streets).

The Secretary was directed to forward the Committee's comments to the Hamilton Street Railway so that they could be included in their report to the Parks and Recreation Committee in 1996 May.

Given that a quorum was about to be lost, the Committee moved up the action items on the agenda.

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The Committee was in receipt of the Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1996 March 11. These Minutes were adopted as circulated.

5. **DIRECTOR, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (Continued)**

(a) **Dundurn Castle - Heritage Permit Application for Demolition of Gazebos**

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 April 4 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Committee approved the following:

That a Heritage Permit be approved for the demolition of the twin gazebos (c. 1965) on the north lawn of Dundurn Castle.

(b) **ADDITIONS TO INVENTORY**

(i) **Corktown Neighbourhood**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 April 4 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, advising that the Research Sub-Committee at its meeting held 1996 March 20 confirmed the additions and deletions to the Corktown Neighbourhood as approved by the Committee at its last meeting. This Information Report was received as circulated.



(ii) 220 Dundurn Street South (Former Hosiery Mill)

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 April 4 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Committee approved the following:

- a) That the 1929 industrial building at 220 Dundurn Street South be added to the City's Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest; and,
- b) That a letter be written to the current owner, the Hamilton Board of Education, advising that the property has been added to the Inventory and that LACAC considers the building to be worthy of preservation and adaptive re-use.

(iii) Westdale Theatre, 1014 King Street West

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 April 4 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Committee approved the following:

That the 1930s Westdale Theatre at 1014 King Street West be added to the City's Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest.

(iv) 228 Barton Street East

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 April 4 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Committee approved the following:

That the commercial building owned by Kenesky Sports and Cycle Co. at 228 Barton Street East be added to the City's Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest.

At that point in the meeting, the quorum was lost.

1. PRESENTATIONS (Continued)

b) Dundurn Castle Grounds - Removal of Gazebos and Renovations to Stable Building

Marilynn Havelka, Manager of Heritage Services, Culture and Recreation Department, appeared before the Committee to provide an overview on the recommended demolition of the twin gazebos and the renovations to the Stable Building on Dundurn Castle Grounds.

The Committee was advised that the twin Gazebos (c. 1965) are in poor condition and will be demolished to make way for the construction of historically accurate flower beds in the area. The Committee approved the demolition of the gazebos as recorded in Section 5(a) above.

Discussion then ensued on the restoration of the Stable Building. The Committee was in receipt of a memorandum dated 1996 April 9 from Marilyn Havelka, Culture and Recreation Department, indicating that the following alterations would be made to the Stable Building as part of the Phase II Restoration Project at Dundurn Castle:

- a) Localized restoration and repointing of the exterior stone walls; and,



- b) Restoration and painting of the exterior wooden elements including doors, windows, soffits and fascia boards; and,
- c) Retrofit of the north wing interior and ground floor to create new washrooms, kitchen and tea room; and,
- d) Retrofit of the second floor interior to create two meeting/assembly rooms, washroom, exhibition area, cloak room and gift shop storage; and,
- e) Introduction of an elevator and other barrier free design features.

First and Second Floor Plans for the Stable Building were circulated for the Committee's information.

The Committee agreed to refer the above-noted alterations to the Research Sub-Committee to determine whether or not a heritage permit is required for the proposed alterations.

Committee Members were advised that Staff will be meeting with Ontario Heritage Foundation representatives this week to discuss the renovation project. Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department, was invited to attend this meeting on LACAC's behalf.

#### 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

##### a) St. Mark's Centre

Diane Dent, Chairperson, reported that she did contact the Garden Club of Hamilton to determine their interest in restoring the gardens at the St. Mark's Centre, but indicated that the Garden Club will not have the time to work on these gardens given their prior commitment to restore the gardens at Dundurn Castle. Diane Dent agreed to contact the Durand Neighbourhood Association to determine their interest in working with the City on this project.

##### b) Custom House/Ontario Workers Arts and Heritage Centre

The Committee was informed that Greg Sather of McCallum Mokrycke Sather Architects has provided an estimate to retain the four north basement windows and window wells at the Custom House/Ontario Workers Arts and Heritage Centre in the amount of \$12,075.00. The Committee still wanted to know the costs to block up the windows to compare the cost differences and Staff were asked to bring this information to the next meeting.

##### c) Proposed Guidelines for Removal of Designated Heritage Features

A Sub-Committee, to be Chaired by Jeffrey Steadman, agreed to meet next week to develop guidelines for the removal of designated heritage features from designated buildings.

The Committee indicated the need to meet as soon as possible given that St. Thomas Anglican Church, a designated building located at 16 West Avenue South, Hamilton, will soon be closing. The Committee approved the following:

That a letter be sent to the Anglican Diocese with a copy to the Bishop advising that St. Thomas Anglican Church is designated pursuant to the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act and that the designated features of the Church must be preserved.



Once this letter has been sent, Jeffrey Steadman will follow up by contacting the Anglican Diocese personally in an effort to ensure that the designated features of this Church are retained.

d) Summer Employment Experience Program (S.E.E.P.)

The Committee was informed that application has been made for LACAC Summer Students under the Province's Summer Employment Experience Program. Staff added that they will continue to investigate any federally-sponsored Summer Student Programs.

e) Hamilton Society of Architects

Committee Members were advised that the deadline for Nominations for the Hamilton Society of Architects' Sesquicentennial Design Awards is 1996 April 30th. The Committee agreed to refer the list of nomination suggestions made by the Committee at its last meeting to the Research Sub-Committee with a request that they shortlist the nominations to three or four and submit the nominations before the 1996 April 30 deadline.

5. DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT (Continued)

c) Cityview: Hamilton's Plan for Tomorrow - Request for Public Input into the New Official Plan for the City of Hamilton

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 April 9 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, requesting the Committee's comments and suggestions on the City's Official Plan. Given that the Committee had lost its quorum, this item was tabled to the next meeting.

Committee Members were encouraged to distribute copies of the Cityview document to various interest groups for additional comments and feedback.

d) MacNab-Charles Heritage Conservation District - Streetscaping Improvements

Staff brought the Committee up to date on the following Streetscaping Improvements in the MacNab-Charles Heritage Conservation District: the installation of five heritage street lanterns down Charles and MacNab Streets; the removal of all of the large hydro poles except at the north-east corner of MacNab and Bold Streets; the reconstruction of the sidewalks; and, the reconstruction of the steps and the underground tunnel between Hunter and MacNab Streets.

e) Lister Block - Conservation Review Board Hearing

This item was pulled from the agenda.

f) First Regional Meeting of Hamilton-Wentworth LACACs

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 April 4 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter. Given that the Committee lost its quorum, this item was tabled to the next meeting.

g) Heritage Community Recognition Program

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 April 4 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter. Committee Members were advised that the deadline for Nominations is 1996 June

30. Given that the Committee lost its quorum, this item was tabled to the next meeting.

h) Mohawk Trail School, 360 Mohawk Road West

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 April 4 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter. This Information Report was received as circulated.

i) Grassie Blacksmith Shop - 197 Mud Street

Ann Gillespie, Planning and Development Department, advised the Committee that she is still gathering information on this matter and will have something to report at the next meeting.

6. COMMITTEE/SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Committee/Sub-Committee Reports as circulated with the agenda, were received:

- a) CAPIC - Minutes of Meeting held 1996 March 8
- b) Hamilton Historical Board - Minutes of Meeting held 1996 February 13
- c) Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee - Minutes of Meeting held 1996 March 11

7. OTHER BUSINESS

a) James Mountain Road Project - Environmental Study Report

Committee Members were advised that the Environmental Assessment Report for the James Mountain Road Project has been completed and is available in the Planning and Development Department.

b) Architectural Tours

Information respecting Architectural Tours of Historic Hamilton Buildings and Landscapes and the Custom House/Ontario Workers Arts and Heritage Centre produced by the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario, Hamilton Region Branch and the Ontario Workers Arts and Heritage Centre respectively, were circulated for the Committee's information.

c) Hamilton Court House - Update

Committee Members were advised that this item will be placed on the next meeting agenda for discussion. Staff indicated that they will contact the Ministry of Government Services to invite the Project Manager to attend.

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved

Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

Charlene Touzel, Secretary



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## CITY OF HAMILTON

### - INFORMATION -

**DATE:** 1996 May 2

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Hamilton Society of Architects, Sesquicentennial  
Design Awards nominations - list of buildings submitted

Suggestions made by LACAC at its last meeting were referred to the Research Sub-committee to prepare a short list of three to four nominations. At the Research Sub-committee meeting held 1996 May 1, the following selection was made and submitted to meet the April 30th deadline:

**Birk's Building** (demolished; site of First City Trust building at s.w. corner of James St. S. and King St. E.)

**St. Paul's Presbyterian Church**, n.w. corner of James St. S. and Jackson St. E.  
(designated under the Ontario Heritage Act)\*

**Victoria Hall**, 68 King St. E. (designated under the Ontario Heritage Act; declared a National Historic Site)\*

**Landed Banking and Loan Company Building**, n.e. corner of Main St. E. and James St. S.\*

- \* Included on a list of 32 *landmark* buildings of particular architectural and/or historical significance in the downtown core (*Landmark Buildings in Hamilton's Downtown Core*).

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## CITY OF HAMILTON

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**DATE:** 1996 May 2

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Custom House/ Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage  
Centre - cost comparison for blocking up versus  
restoring four basement windows on front facade

Cost estimates provided by project architects, McCallum Mokrycke Sather Architects:

Estimated cost of removing window wells  
and blocking up openings with stucco panels: \$4,273

Estimated cost of repairing window wells and windows: \$12,075

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## CITY OF HAMILTON

### - INFORMATION -

**DATE:** 1996 May 3

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Board of Education properties at 360 Mohawk Road West  
and 220 Dundurn Street South - proposed sale

1. The attached letter (1996 May 2) has been forwarded to the Board of Education regarding the proposed sale of the above properties (for background see April 15 agenda, items 5 b)iii and 5 h).
2. Although the current "D" zoning on the 220 Dundurn Street South property would serve as a disincentive for the adaptive re-use of the existing warehouse building, the Planning Department would support its conversion to residential or mixed residential/commercial use and work with any purchaser.
3. Update on the Mohawk Trail Museum attached (*Spectator* article, 1996 April 25).



PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

City of  
HAMILTON

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1996 May 2

Mr. Daryl Sage  
Manager of Property, Audit and Assessment  
The Board of Education for the City of Hamilton  
100 Main Street West

RE: Proposed sale of Board of Education properties at 220 Dundurn Street South and 360 Mohawk Street West

Dear Mr. Sage:

In response to the letter sent to Nina Chapple (1996 February 2) advising the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee of the Board's intention to sell seven properties, the only one of interest is the 1929 factory building at 220 Dundurn Street South. At its meeting held April 15, LACAC approved a recommendation to add this property to the City's *Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest* and to encourage its preservation and adaptive re-use (copy attached with additional historical background).

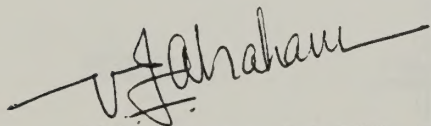
The current "D" Zoning (Urban Protected Residential) on the property only permits single and two-family dwellings. However, my Department would be willing to work with any purchaser interested in converting all or the street-facing portion of the existing building to residential or mixed commercial/ residential use.





Regarding the Mohawk Trail School property, staff were pleased to hear that the Board's decision to sell its property at 360 Mohawk Street West (including the 1949 school building) will be made conditional upon a land severance or upon an agreement with the purchaser to allow the Mohawk Trail Museum, housed in the 1882 schoolhouse, to continue operating. This building is already listed on the *Inventory* but has been referred by LACAC to its Research Sub-committee in order to assess its eligibility for designation under the *Ontario Heritage Act*. In the event that LACAC decides to recommend designation, the Board of Education (as the owner of the property) will be notified before any recommendation is forwarded to City Council. It should be noted that, to date, four public school buildings (two still owned by the Board) have been designated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'V.J. Abraham', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.  
Director of Planning

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c.c. Nina Chapple, Architectural Historian  
Planning & Development Department

HISTORY 25 APRIL 96 SPEC

## Mohawk Trail museum future hinges on sale

**M**ohawk Trail school will go up for sale, but Hamilton Board of Education intends to preserve the museum adjacent to the surplus school.

Located at Mohawk Road and West 15th Street, the museum is a one-room schoolhouse that dates back to 1882, and was restored as a centennial project of the Hamilton Teachers' Council.

Under a recommendation approved by the board last week, the sale of Mohawk Trail will be conditional upon land severance, so the board would still own the museum, or upon an agreement with the purchaser, allowing the museum to continue operating.

Mohawk Trail is one of several schools the board hopes to sell in an effort to build up its capital reserves for repairs and renovations. Officials note, however, there isn't much of a market for used schools.

Mohawk Trail is currently leased to Mohawk College, which plans to vacate the site in May.



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**CITY OF HAMILTON**  
**- FOR DISCUSSION -**

**DATE:** 1996 May 3

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Cityview: Hamilton's Plan for Tomorrow

You are reminded that the Planning and Development Department is still seeking public input in the form of ideas and thoughts on the future of Hamilton in order to create a community-shared *Vision* to be embodied in the new Official Plan (*CityView*). For background refer to *CityView* brochures included with the last LACAC agenda (April 15, item 5 g).

You are encouraged to submit written comments; space has been provided in the brochure "What is your Cityview?" for this purpose. Additional copies of this brochure will be available at the meeting should you wish to distribute to friends, colleagues, local businesses, etc.



# CITYVIEW

City of Hamilton Planning and Development Department

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## what is your CityView?

The City of Hamilton is preparing a new Official Plan that will carry us through into the 21st century. The Official Plan is Hamilton's key municipal planning document and is our blueprint for the future.

The Official Plan must embody the **Vision** of the Hamilton community. The Hamilton community includes residents, neighbourhood organizations, business and social agencies.

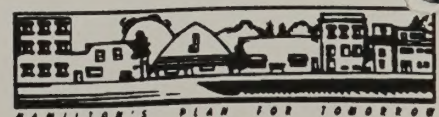
The time is now to tell us about your **Vision** for Hamilton!

A **Vision** can be one sentence, one paragraph or one page. Your Vision does not have to be words - it can be a picture or pictures. It can focus on one idea or it can focus on many. It can be very specific or purposefully vague. It can be simple or comprehensive. The choice is yours, but we need to know. It's your future, and your city. Take part in shaping it!

To help you think about your **Vision** for Hamilton, we have put together a number of questions to get your creative visionary energies shaken and stirred!

- ▢ What do you like about Hamilton? What do you dislike?
- ▢ What kind of City should it be in 5, 10 and 25 years?
- ▢ What is your favourite place in Hamilton and why?
- ▢ What would you do to make Hamilton a better place to live?
- ▢ What are the key issues facing the City of Hamilton?
- ▢ What is your picture of Hamilton in the future?
- ▢ How do we get to the future you envision?
- ▢ What five words should describe Hamilton in the future?
- ▢ What features (i.e., more flowers, pedestrian malls etc.) have you seen in other cities that you would like Hamilton to have?

This is just a small example of questions and issues. More questions and issues are presented in the other brochures of the CityView Series. Take a look, give them some thought and tell us what you think.





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Space is provided below for your Vision. When you are done, send it back to us at City Hall by FAX, regular mail or electronic mail - the numbers and addresses are noted in the box below. Or, you can call us on the telephone - **Joanne Hickey-Evans at 546-4229** or **Keith Extance at 546-4158**. We look forward to hearing from you!

If you belong to a group, organization or association, City of Hamilton Planning Department staff would be more than pleased to come out and talk about Hamilton's Official Plan and act as a facilitator to help your group develop a *Vision* for Hamilton.

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Lined area for writing a vision statement.

## CITYVIEW

CityView Hamilton's Plan for Tomorrow is your opportunity to present your ideas and thoughts on the future of Hamilton.

Your ideas will ultimately form the basis of a new Official Plan for the City of Hamilton.

Staff of Hamilton's Planning and Development Department are available to answer your questions on any facet of CityView.

### Ways to Contact Us

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## CITY OF HAMILTON

### - INFORMATION -

**DATE:** 1996 May 3

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Proposed Guidelines for Removal of Designated Heritage Features

The Sub-committee set up at the last meeting of LACAC has since met once to discuss this and other related issues (meeting held 1996 April 24 and attended by Diane Dent, Jeffrey Steadman, Rob Hamilton and Ann Gillespie). Verbal report at meeting.

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## CITY OF HAMILTON

### - RECOMMENDATION -

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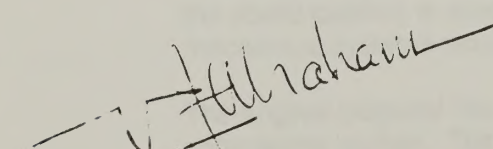
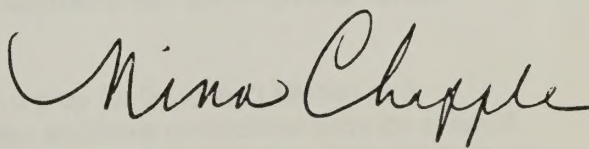
**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Dundurn Castle - renovations to stable building

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That a Heritage Permit be required if any alterations or new additions are to be made to the exterior facades.

**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:** N/A

#### BACKGROUND:

1. Any alterations to the *designated* exterior features and facades of the stable building (designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as part of the Dundurn Castle building complex) require Council approval through the *heritage permit* process.
2. At its meeting held 1996 May 1, the Research Sub-committee approved the following recommendation:  
Whereas LACAC's mandate is to advise City Council on the appropriateness of alterations to worthy heritage properties; and  
Whereas the building is part of a complex which has been declared a National Historic Site, is protected by a Heritage Easement Agreement and is designated under the Ontario Heritage Act;

That LACAC

- a) support the original proposal, as shown on the set of plans dated November 1995 to April 1996 but
- b) recommend against the revised proposal, which includes an 11' high mechanical outbuilding situated in a highly visible area on the south-west (street) facade, as shown on the accompanying sketch drawings.

See attached excerpt from minutes of Research Sub-committee meeting (1996 May for background and discussion. Site plan and plan of stable building attached; photographs available at meeting.

- 3. Revised plans have since been submitted (available at meeting).



## **Excerpt from Research Sub-committee Minutes, 1996 May 1**

### **1. Dundurn Castle Stable Building: Proposal to convert the building into a conference centre**

The stable building is part of the Dundurn Castle complex, which is a National Historic Site, designated under the Ontario Heritage Act and protected by a Heritage Easement Agreement.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The stable was erected in the 1870's by Senator MacInnes after MacNab's original wooden quadrangle burned. Much of the roof was replaced in the 1940's after a fire.

LACAC was advised of this proposal on April 15, 1996 and referred the matter to the Research Sub-committee to determine whether or not a Heritage Permit is required. On April 23, 1996, the Research Sub-committee examined plans (dated variously between November 4, 1995 and April 8, 1996) and preliminary drawings for a new mechanical out-building (dated April 10, 1996) which would require revisions to the original plans. On this basis it was determined that a Heritage Permit was necessary, and a second meeting was scheduled for May 1, 1996.

#### **DISCUSSION**

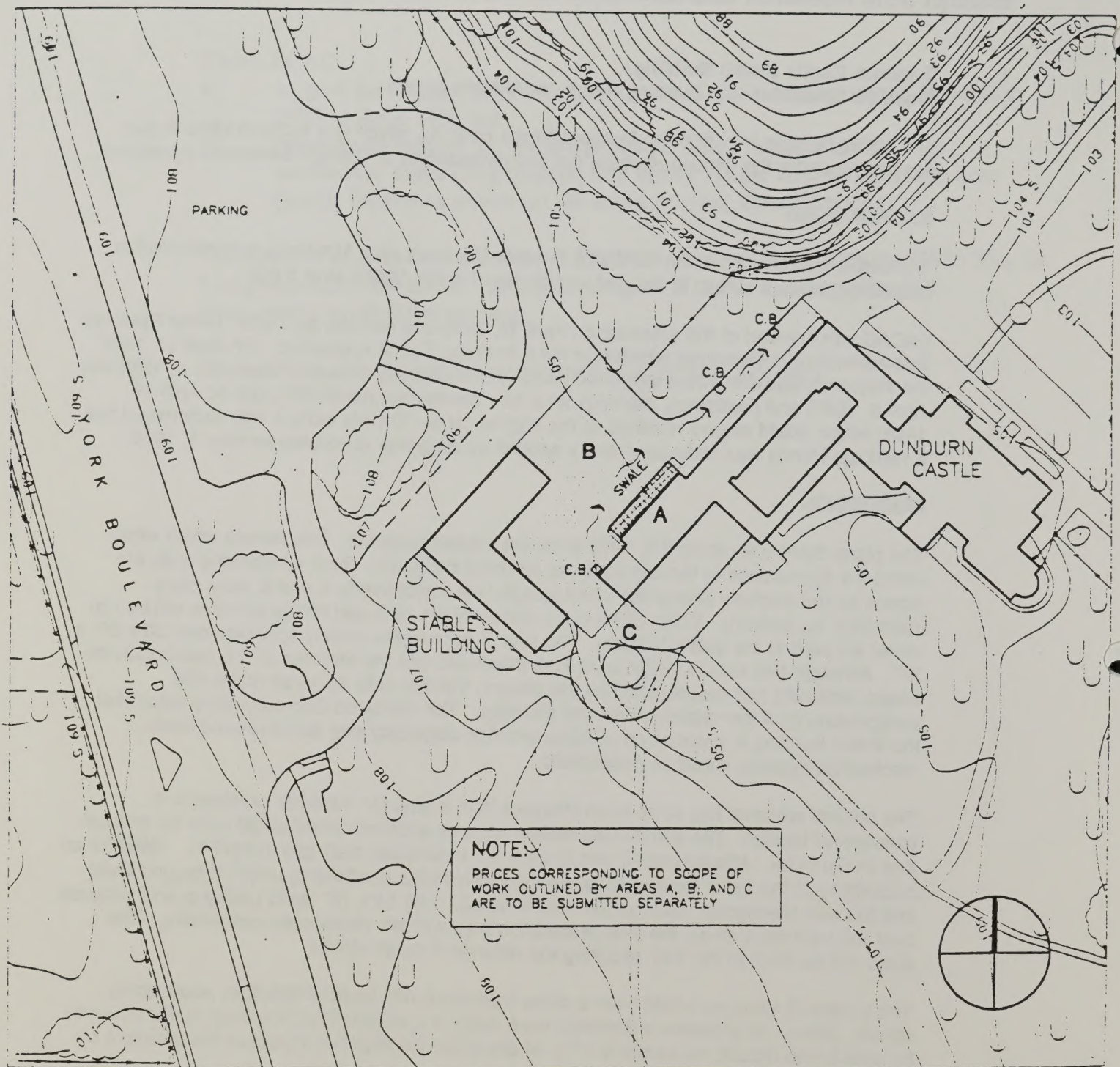
The plans dated prior to April 8, 1996 show the original proposal. One feature which would affect the appearance of the exterior is an air conditioning unit. Four condensing units are shown on the westerly side of the south facade (see Attachments A and B, from plans submitted, for context). They will be placed south of the path and refrigerant lines will be run under the path to the stable building. The size of each of the units is approximately 30"x 30" x 24". Although this area is visible from York Boulevard and the entrance to the parking lot, the height, including pad mount, could be low enough that the units could be made less conspicuous by a low retaining wall and plantings. The Research Sub-committee noted that the stable building is exposed on all sides and that disguising **any** above-ground outdoor mechanical systems would be problematic.

The original proposal has since been changed from a prep (or "catering") kitchen to a commercial kitchen. The commercial kitchen requires additional mechanical units for exhaust and intake of air. Attachments C and D show the preliminary draft (dated April 10, 1996) for an outbuilding at the same location to accommodate both the condensing units (at ground level) and the new mechanical units (at the second level). Two 14"x 16" ducts (makeup and exhaust) over the path will connect the food preparation area with the mechanical out-building. The ducts will go through the wall, requiring the removal of some stones.

The proposed structure would have a stone foundation with board-and-batten wood siding above. (Since the preliminary drawings were made, the architect has informed staff that it may be possible to reduce the height to 11'.) In any case, the negative impact of this structure on the building would be significant.

The Research Sub-committee agreed that, in general, only a proposal which entails the least interference with the building fabric would be acceptable.





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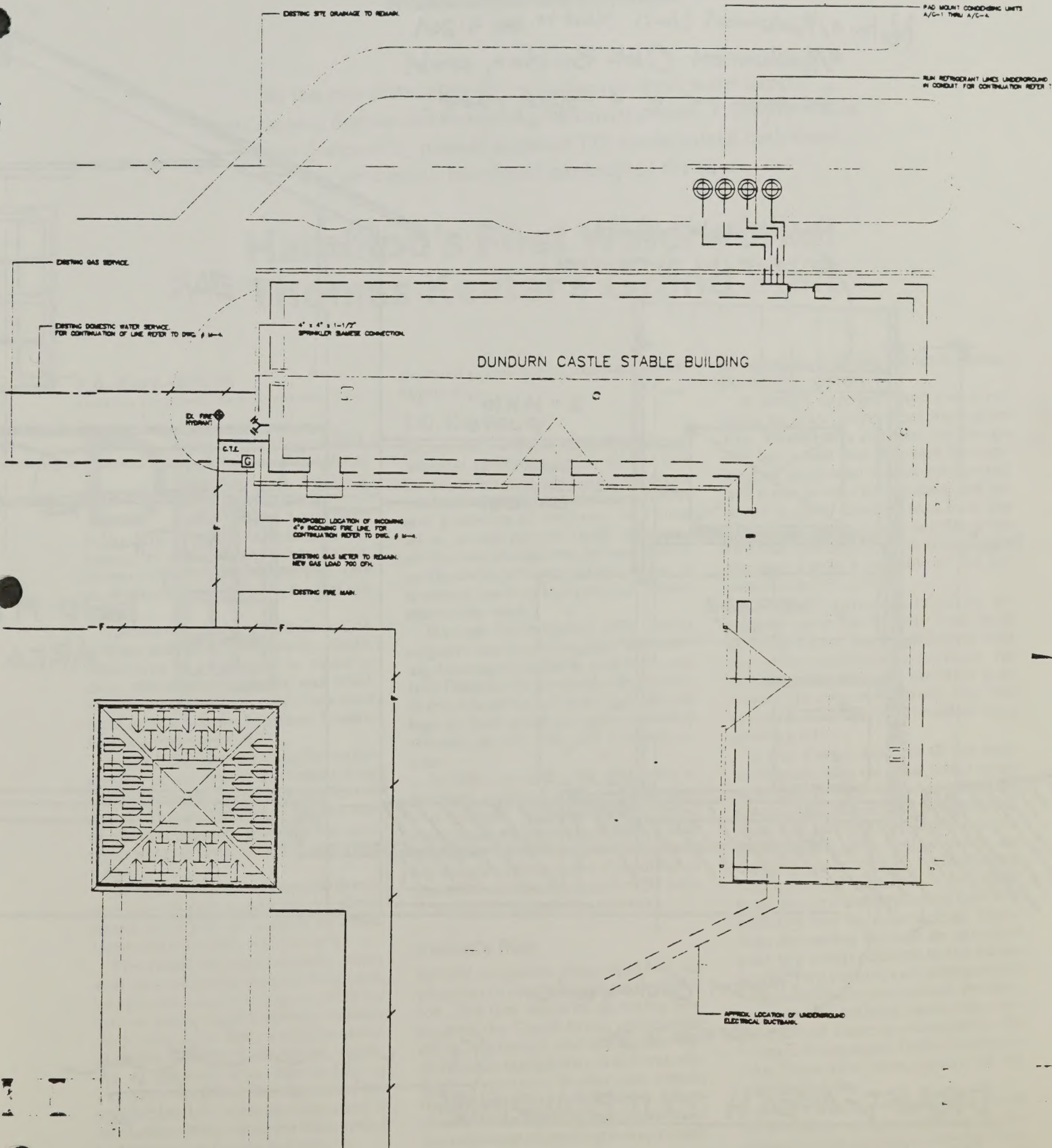
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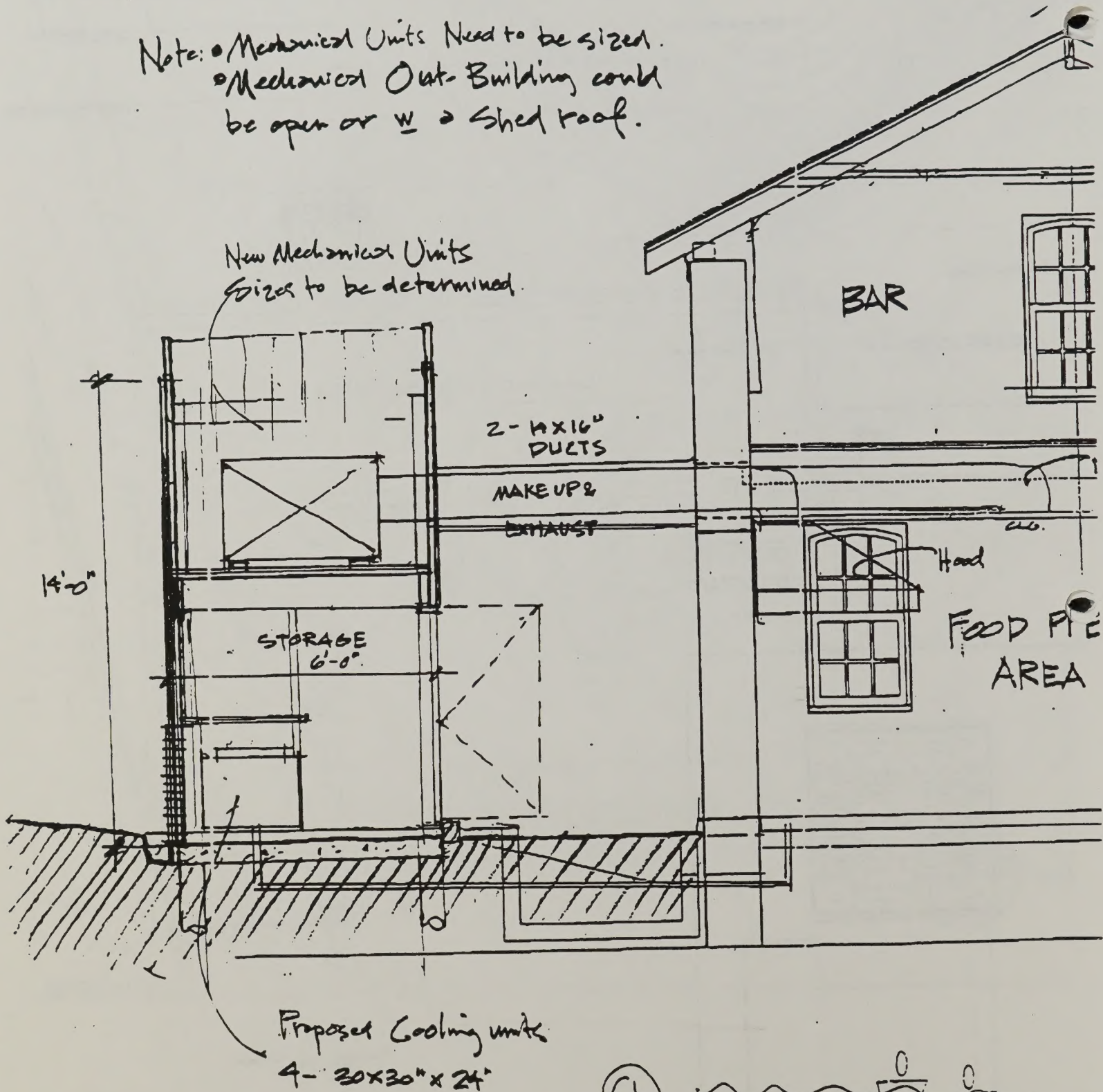




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Note: • Mechanical Units Need to be sized.  
 • Mechanical Out-Building could be open or w/ a Shed roof.

New Mechanical Units  
 Sizes to be determined.



DRAFT-MECH OUTBUILDING

1/4" = 1'-0"



By the mid-1800s, Hamilton's inadequate fresh water supply was causing disease and hampering industrial growth. The waterworks system designed by pioneer engineer T.C. Keefer solved both these problems—but almost bankrupted the city.

## Hamilton's First Waterworks: Thomas Keefer's Grand Plan

I.A. Kerr-Wilson

**D**uring the summer of 1854, a pall hung over the city of Hamilton. A booming commercial centre of 20,000 people, it was deep in the grip of a cholera epidemic, the scourge of 19th century urbanization. In that summer, over 500 people—one in 40 Hamilton residents—died of the disease.

Victims of cholera suffered fever, diarrhoea and, almost inevitably, death. There was no agreement on cause or cure, although everything was tried: quarantining, dubious medicines, even burning pitch around infected houses. Nothing was successful.

In the 1850s, the science of bacteriology lay in the future. But researchers had discovered that people who drank polluted water developed cholera out of all proportion to people who used clean water (even if they did not know why).

Some urban reformers argued therefore that cholera would not be eliminated until a large supply of clean water could be delivered to a city.<sup>1</sup>

The Hamilton water supply, however, was becoming more polluted and less plentiful as the city grew. With no central water supply system, citizens drew their water from a small number of public wells, or paid private suppliers. At the same time, the absence of centrally supplied fire hydrants increased local fire insurance rates and, it was widely believed at the time, stifled commercial and industrial growth.

In 1854, Hamilton city council created a Water Commission, which immediately held a design competition for a city water system, hiring Thomas Coltrin Keefer (then engineer of the Montreal Water Works) to act as judge. After examining the entries, Keefer

awarded prizes but argued for his own approach.<sup>2</sup>

### T.C. Keefer

Recognized today as a pioneer of professional engineering, T.C. Keefer was known in his own time as a sometimes controversial waterworks engineer and promoter of railways. At a time when almost anyone could appropriate the title of engineer, he was also remarkable for bringing a high degree of academic training and practical experience to his work.

Born on November 4, 1821, Keefer acquired the most complete engineering training possible in mid-19th century Canada. He received a strong academic education at Upper Canada College in York and solid apprenticeship training on the Erie and Welland canals.

In 1849, he wrote *The Philosophy of Railroads*, which became a bestseller and brought him considerable fame. Outside of engineering circles, it is as the writer of this book that Keefer is known today.<sup>3</sup> However, virtually all of Keefer's completed projects were public works, principally waterworks.

### Keefer's Plan

By 1854, engineers recognized four approaches to supplying water to Hamilton. The first required diverting portions of the Grand River, using aqueducts. Although the enterprise was technically straightforward, it was relatively expensive. Keefer also argued that Grand River water users downstream of the aqueducts would have to be compensated, making this approach impractical.

Keefer was also facing criticism at this time for his work in Montreal, where he had incorporated an aqueduct into the Montreal Water Works. Users of the system complained of insufficient pressure, a problem Keefer maintained could

be corrected with only minor modifications to the system.<sup>4</sup>

A second approach used steam engines to draw water from Burlington Bay, Hamilton's harbour. Although soft bay water was superior for commercial purposes, Keefer recognized that it was inferior for drinking, and believed it could dissolve lead from the pipes then commonly in use. Since the city was also dumping its sewage into the bay, Keefer's rejection of the approach was far-sighted.

The third approach involved diverting water for the city from local springs. Here, Keefer declared that the water quality was excellent for drinking, but too hard for other purposes. He also recognized that the supply was insufficient to allow for a growing city.

It was Keefer, alone of all the engineers examining the issue, who turned to pumping water from Lake Ontario, arguing that this source was plentiful, clean and technically feasible at a reasonable cost. His design called for drawing water through an infiltration basin (located on a beach five miles from the city and separated from the polluted bay by a sand spit). Water then descended through an oak stave pipe to a sump adjacent to the waterworks. Two pumps, each connected to a separate 70-ton, compound-condensing, rotative, walking-beam steam engine, forced water to a reservoir on the Niagara Escarpment, 190 feet above the lake. From that point, gravity fed the water to the city.

Keefer's design was adopted. Work on the project began in 1856, was completed in 1859, and the waterworks was officially opened by Edward, Prince of Wales, in September 1860.

In his design, Keefer anticipated a demand of 1 million gallons of water per day (20,000 people times 50 gallons each), but provided for a maximum ca-



capacity of 3.6 million gallons per day (to allow for population growth).<sup>5</sup>

By 1887, however, demand for water regularly reached this latter amount (apparently due to increased industrial use). A second waterworks, built adjacent to the first, tripled the capacity of the system. But both of these stations were subsequently relegated to emergency duties by the first electrically powered waterworks, built in 1910.

## The Project's Impact

The waterworks' long-term impact on Hamilton and its inhabitants has been dramatic. The arrival of running water, flush toilets, bathtubs, washing machines and other appliances made practical by a water supply changed the way the city's residents lived. On a larger scale, water availability has influenced societal attitudes about cleanliness, public health and even life expectancy.

Small outbreaks of cholera continued to the early years of the 20th century, in particular *cholera infantum* (perhaps caused by the trend towards bottle feeding infants). However, no large epidemic of the disease occurred in Hamilton once the waterworks were completed.

But the Hamilton waterworks' impact on the city's financial health was devastating. At a cost of \$600,000 (when \$1 per day was a good wage), the waterworks added substantially to the city's debt. In 1862, in fact, creditors refused to forfeit an interest payment, bringing legal action against the city to levy a special tax. But the city clerk and council stalled by declining to appoint tax collectors. The crisis continued until the city's debt was reorganized in 1864.<sup>6</sup>

## The Waterworks Today

The waterworks has been preserved as a museum and historic site; it is the only North American waterworks known to have survived from this period intact. The facility's steam engines may be the oldest remaining in Canada.

The buildings and engines contrast sharply with the "ye olde pioneer" view of history. On the eve of Confederation, Hamilton was anything but a primitive town of spinning wheels and butter churns. Rather, it was a city capable of designing, constructing and paying for (barely) a highly advanced steam engine and waterworks, on a par with anything available elsewhere in the world.

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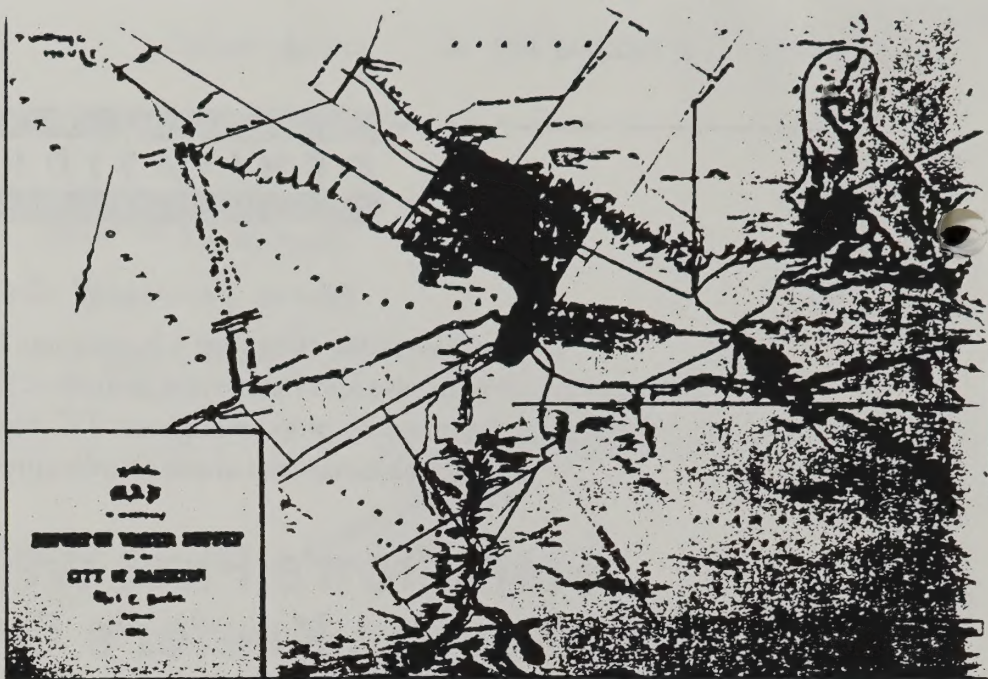
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Ian Kerr-Wilson is curator, Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology, housed in the waterworks described here. He graduated from Trent and Queen's universities and holds a Master's of Museum Studies from the University of Toronto.

Photo: Archives of Ontario



This map, drawn by T.C. Keefer in 1856, shows the alternative designs that were considered for Hamilton's water supply system.

Photo: David Leks, Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology



The interior of the 1859 Hamilton waterworks appears today much as it did 130 years ago. The facility is the only North American waterworks known to have survived this period intact. Its steam engines may be the oldest remaining in Canada.







*Now is the time to learn the...*

# A B C of Collections Management

**Friday, May 31, 1996**

**10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

A workshop presented by  
The Ontario Historical Society and the  
Hamilton Psychiatric Hospital Museum  
Auchmar Complex Seminar Room  
West 5th and Fennell Avenue West,  
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## Topics Covered:

- ☐ researching artifacts, registration, condition reports and deaccessioning
- ☐ this workshop will target museums and historic sites which have already computerized their collections records management systems or are about to computerize
- ☐ will be of interest to those at an intermediate level in records and registration
- ☐ will deal with current classification schedules (AAT, Nomenclature), current legislation (appraisals for tax receipts, deaccessioning) and general research sources and techniques for those museums having an eclectic collection

## Workshop Leader

James Hunter, Registrar, Black Creek Pioneer Village,  
Metropolitan Toronto

The Ontario Historical Society gratefully acknowledges the support of the Ministry of  
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## Registration Fee

(includes a kit of resource material,  
all sessions and breaks; lunch will be  
available for an extra fee)

**\$10.00 - OHS members**

**\$20.00 - non-members**

You must register in advance and payment must accompany your registration. To register, please complete the form below and send it, along with your payment (payable to The Ontario Historical Society) to:

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Registration Form  
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# THE ONTARIO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Annual Meeting 2010

The Ontario Historical Society is pleased to announce the 2010 Annual Meeting. The meeting will be held on Saturday, November 14, 2010, at the Hilton Toronto. The program includes a keynote address by the Hon. Michael R. Wilson, Minister of the Environment and Climate Change, and a presentation by the Hon. Michael R. Wilson, Minister of the Environment and Climate Change. The meeting will also feature a reception and a dinner. The cost of the meeting is \$150.00. For more information, please contact the Ontario Historical Society at (416) 593-9100.

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# **HAMILTON - WENTWORTH HERITAGE ASSOCIATION**

71 Main Street West, Hamilton, Ontario L8N 3T4

Dear member:

**The H.W.H.A. Annual Business Meeting** will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 1996 at 5:30 PM. We have been invited by Ian Kerr-Wilson, curator of the Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology on Woodward Avenue to hold our meeting in the Wood Shed and to tour the museum after the meeting. A lunch of sandwiches, pickles, sweets and beverages has been arranged and there will be a nominal charge of \$5.00 to cover the preparation by St. Paul's Anglican Ladies Auxilary in Mount Hope. They have agreed to do it as a fund raiser. Please call and confirm your attendance.

**H.W.H.A Volunteer Service Awards** were a heartwarming success this year. There were three ceremonies, each was different, all paid generous tribute to the people who help in a very big way to keep a lot of cultural and heritage institutions on track and on-going. The large number of politicians who attended the Stoney Creek and Glanbrook ceremonies was, as always, very gratifying.

**It is not too soon to be thinking about the volunteers** in your organization who deserve a pat on the back. Whether for long service or just one very well done project, try to get your nominations in as soon as possible and preferably before November 31, 1996. Forms will be sent out with the fall letter.

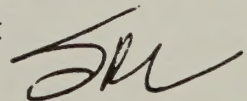
**Who's Who Heritage Directory** has received many flattering comments regarding the illustrations Emily Cain uses in the directory each year. Thank you Emily from all of us. We would like to hear about any changes in phone numbers, mailing address, E-mail numbers, a new fax number or newly elected officers. Also if you know of a heritage group that is not listed in the directory, please advise us and we will add them our happy group. This is an municipal election year so there will be more changes than normal.

**The Halton Heritage Network** and **The Niagara Heritage Network**, our one year old sister organisations have produced their first heritage directories and the HWWHA is immensely proud of their achievements. Copies of each will be available at the AGM for your perusal. If you wish to contact either group, they are listed in Who's Who on page 27.

For further information please call Diane Crawley @ 648-4184 or Stewart Leslie @ 389-2394.

Please include any items in this letter in your newsletter if you wish.

Stewart Leslie, President



Enclosures: Information about the Steam Museum and a map of how to get there.  
Hamilton Psychiatric Hospital Museum events information.

*We encourage attending members to make personal donations, if they so choose, toward the collection development and conservation fund at the Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology.*



# **HAMILTON-WENTWORTH HERITAGE ASSOCIATION**

## **Annual General Meeting**

**Date: Tuesday, May 21, 1996**

**Time: 5:30 p.m.**

**Place: Hamilton Museum of Steam Technology**

**"Woodshed"**

**900 Woodward Avenue, Hamilton, Ontario**

**Ploughman's Style Lunch - only \$5.00**

**Everyone Welcome!**



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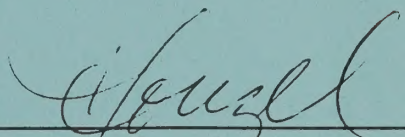
**Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee**

JUN 4 1996

Monday, 1996 June 10  
12:00 o'clock noon

**Hamilton GO Centre - Board Room, 6th Floor**  
**(accessible by elevator near Hunter Street doors, or stairs)**

GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee

**A G E N D A**

**1. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS (no copy)**

Hamilton Society of Architects - Sesquicentennial Design Awards

**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1996 May 13

**3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

- a) List of vacant heritage buildings in Hamilton
- b) Bus Shelters in Gore Park
- c) "Cityview: Hamilton's Plan for Tomorrow" - Comments for new Official Plan
- d) Downtown Design Charette - Information available at meeting (no copy)





4. **DIRECTOR, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

- a) Hamilton Courthouse Project - Heritage Permit Application for alterations/additions to Dominion Public Building (copy available at meeting)
- b) Dundurn Castle - Heritage Permit Application for removal of Aviary Cages
- c) MacNab/Charles Heritage Conservation District - streetscaping improvements (Site Plan available at meeting)
- d) Heritage Community Recognition Program - Nomination

5. **UPDATES** (no copy)

- a) Custom House/Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre - Resolution of Heritage Conservation issues raised by Conservation Officer, Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation
- b) Lister Block - Conservation Review Board Hearing held 1996 May 8
- c) Victoria Hall/MacKay Building
- d) St. Mark's Centre

6. **COMMITTEE/SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Hamilton Historical Board - Minutes of meetings held 1996 March 12 and April 9
- b) Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee - Minutes of meeting held 1996 April 15

7. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- a) Glen Manor, the Veevers House - Sheridan Showcase House '96: "Imagination and Ingenuity", *The Spectator*, 1996 May 17
- b) Pigott/ Sun Life Buildings - new condominium complex: "36 James South" "Bringing life to the core", *The Spectator*, 1996 May 22
- c) Gore Park Fountain: "Delta spouter used Gore Park dish", *The Spectator*, 1996 May 21





- d) Downtown revitalization: "New life for ailing core", *The Spectator*, 1996 May 23; "Hopeful ideas for downtown", Editorial, *The Spectator*, 1996 May 25
- e) Bill 20 (1996): Amendments to the Ontario Heritage Act, letter from Minister of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation (1996 May 13) with brief description of changes
- f) Various Notices of Public Meetings - Planning and Development Committee
- g) CHO News - 1996 May

8. **OTHER BUSINESS**

9. **ADJOURNMENT**





Monday, 1996 May 13  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 233, City Hall

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The Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee met.

There were present: Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Reg Wheeler, Vice-Chairperson  
Alderman William McCulloch  
Alderman Frank D'Amico  
Brian Henley  
Jane Rigby  
John Mokrycke  
Rob Hamilton  
Jeffrey Steadman

Regrets: Rob Brough

Also present: Nina Chapple, Planning Department  
Ann Gillespie, Planning Department  
Joy Dubbeld, Planning Department  
Hoda Kayal, Culture and Recreation Department  
Jack Lemay, Norr Partnership Ltd.  
Norm McMerrick, Norr Partnership Ltd.  
Reg Watkins, Ontario Realty Corporation  
James Smith, Heritage Consultant  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary

A. SITE VISIT - Hamilton GO Station - 11:15 a.m.

Prior to the meeting, the Committee toured the newly opened Hamilton Go Station with Norbert Sebris of GO Transit and Ross Hanham of Garwood-Jones and Hanham Architects.

The Committee agreed to hold its next meeting at the new Hamilton GO Station.

1. PRESENTATION

Hamilton Courthouse Project

The Committee was in receipt of a copy of a letter dated 1996 May 3 from the Building Department to the Ontario Realty Corporation advising that the Department is in receipt of their Building Permit Application dated 1996 April 10 for cladding, finishes, mechanical and electrical systems and fit-up for the Hamilton Courthouse project but that LACAC approval is required before the Building Permit can be issued given that 10 John Street South is a designated building.

Jack Lamay and Norm McMerrick, Architects, Norr Partners Ltd.; Reg Watkins, Project Manager, Ontario Realty Corporation and James Smith, Heritage Consultant, appeared before the Committee to bring the Committee up to date on the status of the Hamilton Courthouse Project.

James Smith presented a series of Elevation and Detailed Plans as prepared by Norr Partnership Ltd., which included modifications to the heritage lobby.

After some discussion, the Committee approved the following:

That the Elevation and Detailed Plans of the Hamilton Courthouse as prepared by Norr Partnerships Ltd., be referred to the Research Sub-Committee to review and report back at the next meeting on any alterations that would require a Heritage Permit.

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Jack Lamay indicated that it is hoped that the Building Permit can be approved within the next two months so that the work schedule can continue as planned. The Committee agreed to place this matter on its next meeting agenda so that a recommendation can be forwarded to the Planning and Development Committee on 1996 June 19 and subsequently City Council on 1996 June 25.

**2. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS**

There were no Chairperson's remarks made at this time.

**3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The Committee was in receipt of the Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1996 April 15. These Minutes were adopted as circulated.

**4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**a) Hamilton Society of Architects - Sesquicentennial Design Awards**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 May 2 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, advising that the Research Sub-Committee at its meeting held 1996 May 1, reviewed the Committee's list of suggested nominees for the Hamilton Society of Architects' Sesquicentennial Design Awards, short-listed and submitted nominations for the following:

Birk's Building  
St. Paul's Presbyterian Church  
Victoria Hall  
Landed Banking and Loan Company Building

Staff indicated that the Award winners have not yet been announced.

**b) Custom House/Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre - Cost Comparison for Blocking up versus Restoring Four Basement Windows**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 May 2 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, indicating the following cost estimates provided by Project Architects, McCallum Mokrycke Sather Architects:

- \$4,273 to remove the window wells and to block up the openings with stucco panels
- \$12,075 to repair the window wells and windows

A copy of a letter dated 1996 May 1 from the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation to the Chairman of the Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre asking that they investigate the cost of rebuilding the concrete window wells on the north facade, retaining the sash, putting grates over the window wells, reinstating the original areaway around the perimeter of the building on the east, south and west facades to deal with the moisture problem, was circulated for the Committee's information.



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After some discussion, the Committee approved the following:

That the letter dated 1996 May 1 from the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation to the Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre respecting the restoration plans for the Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre be referred to the Research Sub-Committee for comment.

**c) Board of Education Properties - Proposed Sale**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 May 3 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the proposed sale of 360 Mohawk Road West and 220 Dundurn Street South by the Board of Education for the City of Hamilton. This Information Report was received as circulated.

**d) Summer Employment Experience Program (SEEP)**

Nina Chapple advised Committee Members that approval has been granted for one Summer Employment Experience Program Student for an 8-week period starting 1996 June 24. Interviews have not yet been conducted, however, the Committee was advised that the Summer Student will work on Neighbourhood Inventories.

**e) Cityview: Hamilton's Plan for Tomorrow - Request for Public Input into New Official Plan**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 May 3 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

A copy of the Cityview document requesting public input on the City's new Official Plan, was circulated for the Committee's information.

Nina Chapple encouraged all Committee Members to take the time to complete the questionnaire and to forward their comments to the City's Planning and Development Department.

After some discussion, the Committee approved the following:

That in response to the Planning and Development Department's request for comments on the City's new Official Plan, that the Research Sub-Committee be requested to prepare a response addressing heritage matters in the City of Hamilton for consideration by the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee at its next meeting.

The Secretary was directed to send a letter to the Director, Planning and Development Department, advising that the Committee will forward its comments on the City's new Official Plan to his attention following its 1996 June 10 meeting.

The Committee agreed to include the issue of downtown parking in its response to the Planning and Development Department.

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Diane Dent agreed to contact the Durand Neighbourhood Association to encourage them to submit comments as well.

Alderman D'Amico advised Committee Members of a recent Planning Conference that he attended in the United States and indicated that a full Conference Report will be presented to the Planning and Development Committee with a copy to the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its information. Rob Hamilton, with the assistance of Alderman D'Amico and Nina Chapple, was directed to review the Conference material, in particular, information on the revitalization of Downtown and Waterfront areas that may be helpful to the Committee.

**f) Proposed Guidelines for Removal of Designated Heritage Features**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 May 3 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Jeffrey Steadman, Chairperson of the Sub-Committee to establish guidelines for the removal of designated heritage features, indicated that the Sub-Committee has met and discussed the notification procedures to advise owners of designated buildings of their obligations under the Act and the possibility of upgrading photographic records of heritage buildings.

The Committee agreed that guidelines for the removal of heritage features from designated buildings must be established. The removal of the stained glass window from St. Mark's Anglican Church and the recent closing of St. Thomas Anglican Church, both designated buildings in the City of Hamilton, are of particular concern to the Committee. On the latter, the Committee was in receipt of a letter dated 1996 May 2 from the Executive Officer of The Synod of the Diocese of Niagara advising that the Diocese has no intention of destroying any of the heritage aspects of St. Thomas Church, at the present time. On the stained glass window formerly in St. Mark's Anglican Church, Staff indicated that the City has submitted a claim to the Hamilton-Wentworth Regional Police Department who will notify the Committee if the window is found. Diane Dent indicated that she has been contacted by an individual who may know the whereabouts of the stained glass window and agreed to pursue further. It was suggested that a photograph of the missing stained glass window be circulated to Committee Members for their information.

**g) Heritage Community Recognition Program - Request for Nominations**

The Committee agreed to table this matter to its next meeting.

**h) Proposed Bus Shelters - Gore Park**

The Committee agreed to add this item to the Agenda.

Committee Members were advised that the Committee's comments on the proposed bus shelters in Gore Park have been forwarded to the Hamilton Street Railway. Committee Members were further advised that the bus shelter proposal will be considered by the Parks and Recreation Committee at its 1996 May 21 meeting.



5. DIRECTOR, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

a) Dundurn Castle - Heritage Permit for Renovations to Stable Building

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 May 3 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Hoda Kayal, Culture and Recreation Department, appeared before the Committee to provide an overview of the proposed alterations to the designated building which may require a heritage permit.

Concerns were raised by Committee Members that the drawings included in the agenda have since been modified and the Committee would therefore not be able to make a decision until new drawings are submitted. After some discussion, the Committee approved the following:

That the Research Sub-Committee be directed to review the revised renovation plans for the Dundurn Castle Stable Building and forward a recommendation directly to the Planning and Development Committee should a Heritage Permit be required for these renovations.

Alderman McCulloch added that the issue of the Aviary should also be referred to the Research Sub-Committee to review whether or not a Heritage Permit is required to demolish the bird cages.

b) Pigott/Sun Life Buildings - Heritage Permit Application for Sign Banners and Installation of Security Cameras

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 May 3 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

The Committee approved the following:

That a Heritage Permit be approved for the designated Pigott/Sun Life Buildings located at 36 James Street South and 42 James Street South, respectively, to mount four projecting sign banners measuring 3' wide and 12' high on the east (James Street) facade of the Pigott Building and four identical banners on the south (Main Street) facade of the adjacent Sun Life Building and to install a security camera in the top north-east corner of the entrance lobby of the Pigott Building.

Alderman D'Amico added that in speaking with the new owner of the property, that he may be interested in investing in other Hamilton buildings. Staff were directed to put together a list of vacant buildings in the City of Hamilton that may be of interest to him.

c) Gore Heritage Design Study - Rating of Individual Buildings

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 May 3 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Committee approved the following:

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That, for the buildings within the Gore Heritage Design Study area (King Street East between James and Catharine Streets), the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee approve the ratings attached hereto and marked as Appendix "A" based on four categories of architectural/historical importance: primary, contributory, potential and non-contributory.

d) MacNab/Charles Heritage Conservation District - Streetscaping Improvements

The Committee received for information an article that appeared in the Spectator on 1996 April 25 respecting the above-noted matter.

Nina Chapple indicated that a Site Plan for the streetscaping improvements will be available at the next meeting.

e) Lister Block

Committee Members were advised that the owner of the Lister Block withdrew its objection to the Designation of the Lister Block at the 1996 May 8-9 Conservation Review Board Hearing.

Also circulated for the Committee's information was an article that appeared in the Spectator on 1996 April 24 respecting the Mural project at this site.

f) Victoria Hall/McKay Building

Alderman McCulloch indicated that the Region has agreed in principle to rent the top four floors of the Victoria Hall Building if offered a fair market value price. Committee Members would be kept informed of the progress of the meetings in this regard.

g) Downtown Design Charrette

Committee Members were advised of a Downtown Design Charrette planned by the local Hamilton Chapter of the Ontario Architects Association for 1996 June 20-21 at Theatre Aquarius. Nina Chapple agreed to obtain additional information on this matter and place on the next agenda for the Committee's information.

6. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee

a) Sesquicentennial Plaque

A copy of the wording for the Sesquicentennial Plaque to be installed in Sam Lawrence Park was circulated for the Committee's information.

b) Heritage Inventory Plaques

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 May 6 from the Chairperson Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee respecting Heritage Inventory Plaques. The Committee approved the following:

That LACAC approve the recommendation of the Joint Plaquing Sub-



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Committee of 1996 May 6 as follows:

That the following buildings listed on the Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest qualify for Heritage Inventory Plaques:

Westdale Theatre  
228 Barton Street East (Kenesky's Sport and Cycle)  
281 Barton Street East (Bank of Montreal at Victoria)  
541 Barton Street East (Bank of Montreal at Westinghouse)

Further to the above, the Committee approved the following:

That the properties at 281 Barton Street East and 541 Barton Street East be referred to the Research Sub-Committee for consideration for full designation.

**7. INFORMATION ITEMS**

The following Information Items as circulated with the agenda were received:

- a) Waterfront Trail Newsletter - April 1996 (Volume II No.2)
- b) Historic Hermitage Ruins in Danger of Collapse, the Hamilton Spectator - 1996 April 25
- c) Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology - Hamilton First Waterworks: Thomas Keefer's Grand Plan and information on Annual General Meeting and Collections Management Workshop.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

**Taken as read and approved,**

**Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee**

**Charlene Touzel, Secretary**

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## GORE HERITAGE DESIGN STUDY AREA

### Rating of Individual Buildings on King Street East between James and Catherine

#### Background

Compared to many other heritage areas in the City, the Gore has a special identity which is not tied to any specific time period or architectural character. The Gore's outstanding attribute is that it is an excellent example of an *accumulative streetscape*, each block (except for the Royal Connaught Hotel) containing buildings which span 100 years. The buildings work effectively together because of their unifying role as an enclosing wall for Gore Park and because, as older buildings, they respect the standard building traditions. As such, they have a continuous alignment on the street frontage; most of the buildings are under 5 storeys; and most have retail or service functions on the first floor.

From the 1970's on, however, the Gore streetscape has experienced some intrusions in terms of the continuity of height, by the construction of two high-rise structures and, in one case, by an under-sized, one-storey building.

The purpose of rating buildings in terms of their architectural and historical significance is to establish a means whereby the best examples from the past can be identified and preserved, and at the same time allow for new construction in accordance with the Gore tradition.

#### Categories

- |                               |                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>PRIMARY:</b>               | Identifies buildings of primary importance which form the basis for declaring the Gore a heritage area.                                                                                                    |
| <b>CONTRIBUTORY:</b>          | Identifies those buildings of note which play a strong supporting role in district designation.                                                                                                            |
| <b>POTENTIAL:</b>             | Identifies buildings which, if restored to original appearance, would contribute to the special identity of the Gore streetscape. Buildings would then be rated in the primary or contributory categories. |
| <b>NON-<br/>CONTRIBUTORY:</b> | Identifies buildings which are not compatible with the special character of the Gore streetscape.                                                                                                          |

## **Gore Heritage Design Study: Evaluation of Buildings**

### **King Street East, North Side (between James and Hughson)**

|              |                                            |
|--------------|--------------------------------------------|
| 1-3, 5, 7-9: | Potential Contributory                     |
| 11:          | Primary (Mills Building)                   |
| 13, 15:      | Potential/Primary (Mills Bldg.)            |
| 17:          | Potential/Contributory (Woolworth's Bldg.) |
| 19-31:       | Contributory (Woolworth's Bldg.)           |
| 35-41:       | Primary                                    |

### **King Street East, North Side (between Hughson and John)**

|        |                                |
|--------|--------------------------------|
| 43-51: | Contributory (Kresge's)        |
| 53-59: | Contributory                   |
| 61-63: | Potential Contributory         |
| 65:    | Potential Contributory         |
| 67-79: | Potential Contributory         |
| 81:    | Contributory/Potential Primary |

### **King Street East, North Side (between John and Catharine)**

|              |                                                                                          |
|--------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 85-87        | Contributory/Potential Primary (Pagoda)<br>(note side elevation & impact on Treble Hall) |
| 89-91        | Non-contributory                                                                         |
| 95-97        | Contributory                                                                             |
| 101          | Potential Contributory                                                                   |
| 103          | Contributory                                                                             |
| 105-115      | Contributory                                                                             |
| 117-119, 121 | Potential Primary                                                                        |
| 125          | Contributory (Leeds)                                                                     |

### **King Street East, South Side (between James and Hughson)**

|    |                  |
|----|------------------|
| 2  | Non-contributory |
| 12 | Contributory     |



|       |                                    |
|-------|------------------------------------|
| 18-20 | Primary (Kerr Buildings)           |
| 22    | Potential Primary (Kerr Buildings) |
| 24    | Potential Primary                  |
| 28    | Contributory/Potential Primary     |
| 30    | Potential Primary                  |
| 40    | Non-contributory                   |

**King Street East, South Side (between Hughson and John)**

|            |                                                            |
|------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| 46-50      | Non-contributory                                           |
| 54         | Primary                                                    |
| 58-60      | Contributory/Potential Primary                             |
| 62         | Contributory/Potential Primary                             |
| 64         | Primary                                                    |
| 66, 68     | Primary (MacKay Building & Victoria Hall)                  |
| 10 John S. | Primary (New Hamilton Courthouse/Dominion Public Building) |

**King Street East, South Side (between John and Catharine)**

|             |                           |
|-------------|---------------------------|
| 82-100, 112 | Primary (Connaught Hotel) |
|-------------|---------------------------|

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# Vacant Heritage Buildings in Hamilton

## May 1996

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### NOTE:

1. The status of the buildings listed below, based on a survey completed 1996 May 28, is subject to change.
2. The list includes two *designated\** buildings which are not currently vacant but which are for sale or potentially for sale.
3. All of these buildings are listed on the City's *Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest*.

### COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS IN THE DOWNTOWN CORE

\* designated under the Ontario Heritage Act

\*\* included on list of *Landmark Buildings in the Downtown Core*

*Lister Block\*\**, 28-44 James St. N. (designation in progress)  
and adjoining building on King William Street - vacant

*Victoria Hall\*\*/\*\** and the *MacKay Building*, 68/ 66 King Street East  
(adjoining buildings) - vacant

NOTE: Victoria Hall was declared a National Historic Site in 1995.

*CN Station\*\*/\*\**, 360 James Street North - vacant

*Tivoli Theatre\*\*/\*\**, 108-112 James Street North - owned by Sam Sniderman and leased to a pentacostal congregation; potentially for sale

*Treble Hall\*\**, 6-12 John Street North - largely vacant (2 stores currently rented); for sale  
(with adjoining building at 85-87 King Street East)

19-31 King Street East (former *Woolworth's* building) - vacant

43-51 King Street East (former *Kresge's* building) - vacant

81 King Street East (n.w. corner of John St.) - vacant

## **OTHER DESIGNATED BUILDINGS**

(public/ institutional/ commercial/ industrial)

*Church of St. Thomas\**, 16 West Ave. S. - vacant (closed in April); to be sold by the Anglican Diocese

*St. Andrew's Church\**, 109 Smith Ave. - vacant; originally *St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church*; most recently *St. Paul's Ecumenical Church*

*Hamilton Conservatory of Music\**, 126 James St. S. - currently offices for social services agency; for sale

*Canadian Westinghouse Head Office Building\**, 286 Sanford Avenue - vacant

*Burlington Canal Lighthouse and Keeper's House\**, 1159/ 1155 Beach Boulevard - owned by Public Works Canada; lighthouse out of service and now vacant



CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF HAMILTO

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

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TO: Bob Chrystian  
Gore Park Review Team  
Department of Public Works and Traffic

YOUR FILE:

FROM: Kevin C. Christenson, Secretary  
Parks and Recreation Committee

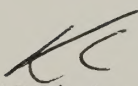
OUR FILE:  
PHONE: 546-2728

SUBJECT: Bus Shelters in Gore Park

DATE: 1996 May 29

The Parks and Recreation Committee at its meeting held 1996 May 21 approved the following recommendation respecting the Bus Shelters in Gore Park:

"That the issue of Bus Shelters in Gore Park be tabled and that the Commissioner of Transportation be directed to report back to the Parks and Recreation Committee following the installation of the Gore Park Fountain on the issues of the proposed bus shelter architecture, location, impact on the Cenotaph and effect on the fountain."

  
KCC/mjw

c. Charlene Touzel, Secretary  
LACAC

Charlene Touzel, Secretary  
Hamilton Historical Board

Charlene Touzel, Secretary  
Hamilton Veterans Committee

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# CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

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INITIALS

The City and County of Denver, Colorado, is hereby notified that the following is a true and correct copy of the original as filed in the City and County of Denver, Colorado, on the 1st day of January, 1900.

That the City and County of Denver, Colorado, is hereby notified that the following is a true and correct copy of the original as filed in the City and County of Denver, Colorado, on the 1st day of January, 1900.

Attest my hand and the seal of the City and County of Denver, Colorado, this 1st day of January, 1900.

City and County of Denver, Colorado.

City and County of Denver, Colorado.



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**CITY OF HAMILTON**  
**- RECOMMENDATION -**

**DATE:** 1996 May 31

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** Jane Rigby, Chairman  
LACAC Research Sub-committee

**SUBJECT:** City View--LACAC Comments

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That LACAC adopt the following comments on City View, prepared by the LACAC Research Sub-committee, and forward these comments to the Planning and Development Department for consideration in the revised Official Plan:

That the City should take a greater interest in the local architectural and natural heritage by encouraging more designations of individual buildings under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act and more district designations under Part V of the Ontario Heritage Act;

That the City, given the recent loss of provincial funding for heritage buildings, introduce new ways to encourage and ensure the survival of the City's most important heritage by providing new incentives:

- heritage grant programs for designated buildings;
- deferral of tax increases resulting from improvements to a designated building;
- expanding the uses for designated buildings;
- waiving certain zoning requirements, such as parking, loading, etc.

That the City develop a new means of identifying and promoting the heritage character of older neighbourhoods by adopting heritage zones, which would indicate the long-term goal of an area without imposing the regulations of the Ontario Heritage Act;

That the City provide leadership in the conservation of significant heritage buildings by:

- establishing a Municipal Heritage Policy which would include policies re: both City-owned buildings and privately-owned buildings which are of highest importance to the City.

- introducing a Heritage Impact Assessment requirement when new large-scaled redevelopment proposals affect heritage buildings or district.

**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:** N/A

**BACKGROUND:**

During 1996-97, the Planning and Development Department is undertaking a major review of its Official Plan; citizen participation is considered an essential component in this process. For this purpose, the Department has prepared 24 brochures on various components of city planning to order to make current information easily available to the public as well as to provide a basis for preparing comments.

LACAC at its last meeting on May 13, 1996, referred this matter to the Research Subcommittee for action.

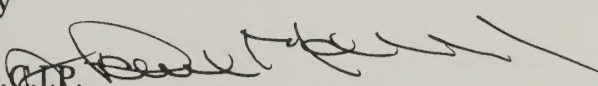


**CITY OF HAMILTON**  
**- RECOMMENDATION -**

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**DATE:** 1996 May 31

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.P.I.P.   
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Dundurn Castle - Heritage Permit application for removal of the aviary cages

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That a Heritage Permit be approved to remove the existing aviary cages formerly attached to Dundurn Castle.

**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:** N/A

**BACKGROUND:**

1. Any alterations or additions to a building designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act require Council approval through the Heritage Permit process.
2. Rationale for removal: The Aviary is not part of the original 19th century landscaping of MacNab's estate; it was erected after the turn-of-the-century when the castle and its grounds were opened to the public as a museum and park.
3. The Dundurn Castle Landscape Restoration Feasibility Study completed by *The Landplan Collaborative Ltd.* in 1987 recommended that the Aviary be removed.

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# MEMORANDUM

## FOR THE RECORD

TO : Mr. Tolson

FROM : Mr. [Name]

SUBJECT : [Subject]

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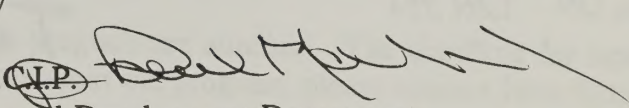


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**CITY OF HAMILTON**  
**- RECOMMENDATION -**

**DATE:** 1996 May 31

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.   
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Heritage Community Recognition Program

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Rob Brough be nominated for the Heritage Community Recognition Program honouring individuals who are making a lasting and significant contribution to heritage conservation.

**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:** N/A

**BACKGROUND:**

In response to the information on this Program in the LACAC agenda of 1996 April 15, the LACAC Research Sub-committee, at its meeting of 1996 March 30, made the above nomination. Further background information attached.



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Robert Morrow  
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MAR 20 1996

To close ✓ 3/28

March 14, 1996

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Dear Mayor Morrow:

It is my pleasure to invite your municipality to participate in the Heritage Community Recognition Program, recently announced by the Ontario Heritage Foundation.

All across Ontario, people are making lasting and significant contributions to heritage conservation. The Foundation recognizes the importance of acknowledging these individuals for their outstanding achievements.

The Heritage Community Recognition Program is offered annually by the Ontario Heritage Foundation for contributions and commitment in heritage conservation in the areas of built, natural or cultural heritage. Every municipality, or its designate, can make one nomination each year, providing an excellent opportunity for you to reward individual local heritage achievement.

An achievement pin, in the well-recognized shape of our blue and gold provincial plaques, and a certificate of recognition will be presented to a resident of your municipality.

Nominations may be made for activities which are considered by your council, or its designate, to be particularly outstanding or innovative, or which have demonstrated long-term commitment to heritage preservation, protection or promotion.

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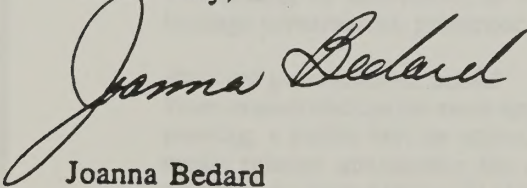


We would ask that you identify an event in the autumn when the presentation can be made. A council meeting, fall fair or other public event could be appropriate. Whenever possible, the Foundation would be pleased to attend and assist with the presentation.

On behalf of the Ontario Heritage Foundation, I encourage your municipality's participation. You will be helping to provide province-wide recognition for the important contributions of individuals in your community who are working hard to preserve a part of Ontario's heritage.

Guidelines and a nomination form for the program are attached. **The deadline for nominations is June 30, 1996.** For further information about the program, please contact John Ecker at (416) 325-5013.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joanna Bedard". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Joanna Bedard  
Chair

attachment





## **HERITAGE COMMUNITY RECOGNITION PROGRAM GUIDELINES**

Heritage is a living legacy - a legacy which helps us understand the past, gives meaning to the present and influences the future. It includes things we can see and feel like buildings, artifacts and natural areas. Our heritage also includes customs, traditions and beliefs.

Individuals in communities all over the province are making lasting and significant contributions to heritage conservation in Ontario. The Ontario Heritage Foundation recognizes the importance of acknowledging these individuals for their outstanding achievements in the field of heritage conservation.

### **What is the Heritage Community Recognition Program?**

The Heritage Community Recognition Program is offered annually by the Ontario Heritage Foundation for contributions and commitment in the field of heritage conservation. Every municipality, or their designate\*, can make one nomination each year, providing an excellent opportunity for you to reward local heritage achievement.

### **What do recipients receive?**

An achievement pin and certificate of recognition will be presented to a resident of your municipality for activities which are considered by your council to be particularly outstanding or innovative, or which have demonstrated long-term commitment to heritage preservation, protection or promotion.

### **How are presentations made?**

Your council decides the most appropriate venue for presentation - whether at a council meeting, a public fair, an annual celebration. The Foundation will send out annual media releases announcing the names and accomplishments of all recipients. When possible, the Foundation will also provide Board or Senior Staff representation at your event or presentation.

### **What activities are eligible?**

We encourage nominations related to built, natural or cultural heritage.

Activities may include:

- conservation
- promotion
- advocacy
- books and publishing
- research or documentation
- conferences or workshops
- heritage stewardship
- oral histories
- exhibits or displays
- public access initiatives
- saving wetlands
- restoration

### **How do we submit a nomination?**

Nominations should be submitted to the Chair of the Ontario Heritage Foundation by June 30, 1996 using the attached nomination form. One nomination may be made each year by your council or designate. All nominees who meet the criteria will receive an achievement pin and certificate.

### **When will we be notified?**

The Ontario Heritage Foundation will provide confirmation of recipients by August 31, 1996. Notification can be made by your municipality at this time and recognition pins and certificates will be forwarded for presentation ceremonies.

- Most councils will select nominees. However, for those that wish to, selection may be delegated to organizations such as LACACs or conservation authorities.

For further information: (416) 325-5015

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**ONTARIO HERITAGE FOUNDATION  
HERITAGE COMMUNITY RECOGNITION 1996**

**Nominator**

Name of nominating council: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Description of activity nominated as worthy of recognition**  
(please complete this section in 100 words or less):

**Please provide information in the following areas, as applicable:**

**Benefits to the heritage of your community; innovative, creative or outstanding  
aspects of this activity or contribution**

(please complete this section in 50 words or less):

**Brief biography of nominee (What other activities are they involved in? How long  
have they lived in your community etc.):**

**Signature and Title:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**CITY OF HAMILTON**

**- INFORMATION -**

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**DATE:** 1996 May 14

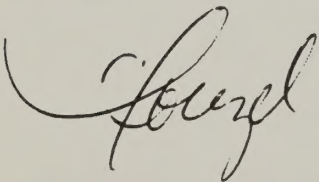
**REPORT TO:** Kevin C. Christenson, Secretary  
Parks and Recreation Committee

**FROM:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Hamilton Historical Board

**SUBJECT:** Hamilton Historical Board Minutes - 1996 March 12 and  
April 9

**BACKGROUND:**

Attached for the information of the Parks and Recreation Committee are the minutes of the Hamilton Historical Board for its meetings held 1996 March 12 and April 9 as adopted by the Board on 1996 May 14.



attached

cc Secretary, Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

CITY OF HAWAII

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR, CITY OF HAWAII  
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Tuesday, 1996 March 12  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 233, City Hall

**The Hamilton Historical Board met.**

**There were present:** David Beland, Chairperson  
Alderman William McCulloch  
Alderman Bernie Morelli  
Brian Henley  
David Cuming  
Stephen Kostyshyn  
Joyce Newman  
Jack McBurney  
Carolyn McCann  
Victoria Reiding  
Claire Riddell

**Regrets:** Walter Peace, Vice-Chairperson  
Gordon Birk

**Also present:** Ross Fair, Director, Culture and Recreation Department  
Marilynn Havelka, Manager of Heritage Services, Culture and Recreation Department  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary

**1. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS**

**1996 Heritage Day Ceremony**

David Beland called the meeting to order, congratulated Staff and thanked those Board Members that attended the Heritage Day ceremony held on 1996 February 19 in the City Council Chambers.

**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**Minutes of the Hamilton Historical Board - 1996 February 13**

The Board was in receipt of the Minutes of the Hamilton Historical Board for its meeting held 1996 February 13. The Minutes were amended as follows:

Page 6 Item 6(b)(e) was amended to read as follows:

"That a commemorative plaque recognizing the founding of Hamilton as requested by Mayor Morrow for the City's Sesquicentennial and a visit to Hamilton by the Governor General on 1996 June 8 be approved and installed in Sam Lawrence Park".

The Minutes were adopted as amended.

**3. DIRECTOR OF CULTURE AND RECREATION**

**a) Deaccessioning of Artifacts - Dundurn Castle**

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 February 28 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

A video of the textile artifacts recommended for deaccessioning was shown for the Board's information (53% are ladies' accessories, 12% are men's accessories, 21% are fabrics and 14% are children's and babies' wear).

Photographs were also circulated for the Board's information.

Alderman McCulloch suggested that the deaccessioned items should be offered to other museums such as the Royal Ontario Museum in trade for artifacts that the City of Hamilton would be interested in acquiring. Staff indicated that the deaccessioned items will be listed on 'Trillium', a computer network accessed by museum professionals and if there are any inquiries, Staff will investigate the possibility of a trade for these artifacts.

The Board approved the following:

That approval be given to deaccession from Dundurn Castle's collection, the textiles whose accession numbers are listed on Appendix "A" attached hereto.

b) Grants for Ontario Training and Adjustment Board - Summer Employment Experience Program Grants for Museums - Cultural Division

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 March 5 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

The Board approved the following:

That approval be given the Director of the Department of Culture and Recreation, on behalf of the City, to apply for six (6) Summer Employment Experience Program (S.E.E.P.) Grants with the Ontario Training and Adjustment Board, to hire an Education and Program Assistant for the Hamilton Children's Museum; Museum Clerks for the Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology and Whitehern; a Collections Assistant for Dundurn Castle; and, a Marketing Assistant for a period of ten (10) weeks at 35 hours per week.

c) Grounds Use Requests - Dundurn/Harvey Parks and Whitehern

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 March 5 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

A number of added Grounds Use Requests that were received after the report was prepared, were also circulated for the Board's information. Staff indicated that the added Grounds Use Requests have previously been held in Dundurn Park and are being recommended for approval.

Given the above, the Board approved the following as amended:

That the following 1996 Grounds Use Requests for Dundurn/Harvey Park and Whitehern be approved:

a) Dundurn Park

|        |                                       |              |
|--------|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| (i)    | Korean Mission Church                 | April 7      |
| (ii)   | Bay Area Jazz Society                 | September 8  |
| (iii)  | Labour Day Parade                     | September 2  |
| (iv)   | International Christian Bikers Assoc. | May 4        |
| (v)    | Joy Bringers                          | June 17      |
| (vi)   | Philpott Memorial Church              | June 18      |
| (vii)  | Canworkers Retiree Club               | June 20      |
| (viii) | Richards Family Picnic                | September 15 |



- (1x) Eastern Canada Highland Dancers August 31
- b) Harvey Park
  - (i) Burlington Races Re-enactment July 13
- c) Whitehern
  - (i) Malt Mill Morris Dancers August 31
  - (ii) Music in the City June 16, July 19, August 14

Brian Henley expressed his support for the Hamilton Ships Company of 1812's Burlington Races Re-enactment to be held at Harvey Park on 1996 July 13. Staff indicated that they will work with event organizers to tie this event in with the City's Aquafest activities running that same weekend.

#### 4. MANAGER OF CULTURAL SERVICES

##### a) Stables Building: Phase II Dundurn Castle Restoration

The Board was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 March 12 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter. Draft ground floor and second floor plan drawings showing the interior restoration for use for a multi-use facility, including a restaurant facility and meeting rooms, were circulated for the Board's information.

Staff indicated that the provision of restaurant facilities would enhance the visitors' experience at the site and would also generate revenue for the Museum. The Information Report was received as circulated.

Further to the above, Staff advised Board Members that the Gift Shop will be moved to the Billiard Room until the renovations have been completed.

##### b) Heritage Issues - Updates

###### (i) Various Heritage-Related Information Items Circulated

Marilynn Havelka, Manager of Heritage Services, Culture and Recreation Department, circulated a number of heritage-related information items to Board Members who were advised that in an effort to reduce the amount of paper sent to Board Members as well as printing and mailing costs, that general information items would be circulated at Board Meetings. The Board agreed that this was a good idea.

###### (ii) Legal Affairs and Management Symposium

Marilynn Havelka advised the Board that she recently attended a Legal Affairs and Management Symposium with the Curator of the Hamilton Children's Museum. Board Members were advised that a Conference Report will be prepared for the next meeting.

###### (iii) 1996 Marketing Plan

Board Members were advised that the Culture and Recreation Department's Draft 1996 Marketing Plan will be presented at the next Board meeting.



(iv) Hamilton Children's Museum - Class Tours

Board Members were advised that the Hamilton Exhibit at the Hamilton Children's Museum has not been as successful as hoped, and that Staff are focusing their efforts on contacting local schools to arrange class tours.

(v) 1996 User Fees - Increased Museum Admission Fees

A copy of a report dated 1996 February 14 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, to the Secretary, Parks and Recreation Committee, respecting proposed User Fee increases for Museum admissions and program fees for the Department of Culture and Recreation was circulated for the Board's information.

Some Board Members expressed concern that the Hamilton Historical Board was not consulted and not given an opportunity to comment on the proposed Museum admission fees. It was suggested that a letter be sent to the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, requesting that a representative from the Hamilton Historical Board be invited to attend meetings when User Fees, affecting the City's Museums, are discussed in the future.

(vi) Exterior Paint Colour Scheme - Dundurn Castle

The Board was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 March 12 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter. Staff indicated that this report will be circulated to all Members of the Parks and Recreation Committee for their information.

(vii) MacNab Circle Meeting

David Beland, Chairperson, reported that the MacNab Circle will be undertaking a fundraising event to purchase a bust of Sir Alan Napier MacNab in celebration of his 200th birthday in 1997 to be displayed in the exhibit area at Dundurn Castle. Board Members were advised that the first one hundred donators of \$100.00 will receive a medallion.

(viii) Aviary - Dundurn Castle

Staff indicated that a report on the relocation of the Aviary will be presented at the Board's next meeting.

5. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTSa) Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum(i) Annual General Meeting - 1996 March 18

Carolyn McCann advised Board Members that the Hamilton Children's Museum's Annual General Meeting will be held on 1996 March 18. The establishment of new Membership categories will be addressed at this meeting.

(ii) Play it Again Sale

Donations of toys, games and children's books are needed for the Play it Again Sale to be held at the Hamilton Children's Museum on 1996 July 18.



The Secretary agreed to post some flyers advising City employees that donations are being requested. Donations can be dropped off at the Secretary's office on the 2nd Floor, City Hall.

b) Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee

Sesquicentennial Plaque

Brian Henley agreed to work with the Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee to draft the wording for the Sesquicentennial Plaque as approved by the Board at its last meeting.

c) Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

(i) Custom House/Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre

Brian Henley reported that the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee at its last meeting, recommended that a Heritage Permit be approved for the interior and exterior alterations/renovations to the Custom House/Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre to begin in 1996 April. Board Members were further advised that work is expected to be completed by Labour Day of this year.

(ii) St. Mark's Centre

Board Members were advised that a recommendation to restore the former St. Mark's Anglican Church to a multi-use community facility will be considered by the Parks and Recreation Committee at its next meeting. Alderman McCulloch indicated that the St. Mark's Use Committee is also requesting funding to get the building operational.

d) Military Museum - Long Range Plan

Victoria Reiding advised Board Members that a report on the Long Range Plan for the Military Museum will be presented at a future Board meeting.

e) Arts Advisory Commission

Arts Symposium

Claire Riddell advised Board Members that the City will be holding an Arts Symposium in 1996 May.

f) Hamilton History Sub-Committee

In Walter Peace's absence, there was no report.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

The following information items as circulated with the agenda were received:

a) Museum Reports for the month of 1996 February:

- (i) Dundurn Castle
- (ii) The Children's Museum
- (iii) Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology
- (iv) Hamilton Military Museum
- (v) Whitehern

- b) Canadian Museums Association Advocacy Alert - Sheila Copps is New Heritage Minister

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Next Meeting Date

Board Members were reminded that the next meeting of the Hamilton Historical Board has been changed from 1996 April 16 to 1996 April 9.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

David Beland, Chairperson  
Hamilton Historical Board

Charlene Touzel, Secretary



Tuesday, 1996 April 9  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 219, City Hall

**The Hamilton Historical Board met.**

**There were present:** David Beland, Chairperson  
Walter Peace, Vice-Chairperson  
Alderman Bernie Morelli  
Stephen Kostyshyn  
David Cuming  
Victoria Reiding  
Joyce Newman  
Jack McBurney  
Claire Riddell  
Gordon Birk  
Carolyn McCann

**Regrets:** Alderman William McCulloch  
Brian Henley

**Also present:** Ross Fair, Director, Culture and Recreation Department  
Marilynn Havelka, Manager of Heritage Services, Culture and Recreation Department  
Brenda Brownlee, Curator, Hamilton Military Museum  
Doug Rieger, Hamilton Street Railway  
Bill O'Brien, Hamilton Street Railway  
David Adames, Culture and Recreation Department  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary

**1. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS**

David Beland, Chairperson, called the meeting to order and advised Board Members of the additions and changes to the agenda. Board Members were also advised that the Minutes from the last meeting will be available at the next meeting.

**2. PRESENTATIONS**

**a) Proposed Bus Shelters - Gore Park**

The Board was in receipt of a memorandum dated 1996 March 29 from the Manager of Parks, Department of Public Works and Traffic, advising that the Parks and Recreation Committee at its meeting held 1996 March 19 directed Staff to meet with the affected stakeholders respecting the proposed bus shelters in Gore Park and to report back to the Parks and Recreation Committee in 1996 May.

Bill O'Brien, Director, Transportation Services, and Doug Rieger, Transit Technician, were in attendance to make a presentation on the four bus shelters proposed for Gore Park.

A Plan indicating the proposed location of the four bus shelters (2 to be installed in 1996 and 2 to be installed in 1997) as well as a photograph of the proposed Victorian-roof design bus shelter were presented.

Board Members were advised that no advertising will be permitted in any of these shelters and will be cleaned twice weekly.

Some Board Members liked the Victorian-roof bus shelter design while others felt that a flat roof design will be more unobtrusive in the area.



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Questions were also raised on why the bus shelters will be placed in the park itself and not closer to the sidewalks. Bill O'Brien, Hamilton Street Railway, indicated that they are trying to keep the sidewalks clear for pedestrian traffic, snowclearing, etc.

David Beland, Chairperson, expressed his concerns regarding the timing of the installation of the bus shelters given that the Gore Park Fountain will be installed in 1996 October and anticipated problems in installing the fountain if the bus shelters are in the way.

Given that the Board could not come to a general consensus on the design or the location of the proposed bus shelters, the Board approved the following:

That the proposal to install four bus shelters in Gore Park be referred to the Hamilton History Sub-Committee to review and provide comments on the proposal to the Hamilton Street Railway.

The Hamilton History Sub-Committee was asked to provide the Hamilton Street Railway with its comments on the bus shelter proposal in early 1996 May so that the Board's comments can be included in their report to be presented to the Parks and Recreation Committee on 1996 May 21.

**b) Hamilton Military Museum Planning Study - Status Report**

The Board was in receipt of a memorandum dated 1996 April 1 from the Manager of Heritage Services, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Brenda Brownlee, Curator, Hamilton Military Museum, appeared before the Board to make a presentation on the Hamilton Military Museum's Planning Study. Board Members were advised that the objective of the Planning Study is to assess the overall operation of the Hamilton Military Museum including programs, services, collections, exhibits, marketing needs, etc. in an effort to develop a new Statement of Purpose for the Museum and to make recommendations for the operation of the Museum in the future.

Victoria Reiding, a member of the Hamilton Military Museum Planning Study Committee, presented an overview of the Planning Study including the membership on the Committee.

A slide presentation of the existing collection was shown.

Brenda Brownlee advised Board Members that the Planning Study is nearing the half-way mark of completion and encouraged all Board Members to visit the Museum. Board Members with any comments or suggestions on the Planning Study were encouraged to bring them to the Curator's attention for consideration.

**3. DIRECTOR OF CULTURE AND RECREATION**

**a) Grounds Use Request - Dundurn Park**

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 April 1 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Board approved the following:

That the following 1996 Grounds Use Requests for Dundurn Park be



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approved:

- a) Chinese Community Centre Association of Hamilton-Wentworth - May 19
- b) The Canadian Mental Health Association - July 26
- c) The Canadian Mental Health Association - August 16
- d) Hamilton and District Ostomy Association - June 14

b) Demolition of Gazebos - Dundurn Castle

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 April 1 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Board approved the following:

That approval be granted for the demolition of the twin gazebos (c.1965) on the north lawn of Dundurn Castle.

c) Wording for Sesquicentennial Plaque

The Board agreed to table this matter to the next meeting.

d) Nine Hour Movement Plaque

Marilynn Havelka, Manager of Heritage Services, Culture and Recreation Department, advised Board Members that its recommendation to erect a Nine Hour Movement Plaque in Victoria Park has been forwarded to the Parks and Recreation Committee. A copy of the plaque's wording and a map showing the plaque's location were circulated for the Board's information.

e) MacNab Circle - Sculpture of Sir Allan MacNab

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 April 9 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Discussion ensued respecting the wording of recommendation (a) and whether or not the wording should be amended to accept the donation of a sculpture instead of commissioning the MacNab Circle group to procure a sculpture of Sir Allan Napier MacNab. Staff indicated that the recommendation's wording has been reviewed by Law and Treasury Department Staff to ensure that the donations received would be eligible for tax receipts from the City. Ross Fair, Director, Culture and Recreation Department, suggested that the Board approve the recommendation as written, but agreed to discuss further with the City Solicitor. If she agrees that the wording should be amended, he will submit an amended report at tomorrow's Parks and Recreation Committee's Agenda Review Meeting.

Given the above, the Board approved the following:

- a) That the City of Hamilton commission the MacNab Circle group to procure a sculpture of Sir Allan Napier MacNab; and,
- b) That the estimated cost of \$10,000. be financed by fundraising by the group; and,

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- c) That all donations directed to this initiative be made payable to the City of Hamilton; and,
- d) That an account be opened by the Treasury Department to receive the donations; and
- e) That the City of Hamilton issue Charitable Income Tax receipts for donations of \$10. and over; and,
- f) That any shortfall in funding be covered by the MacNab Circle; and,
- g) That the report be forwarded to the Finance and Administration Committee.

**4. MANAGER OF CULTURAL SERVICES**

**a) Marketing Plan - Hamilton Museums**

The Board was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 April 1 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

David Adames, Culture and Recreation Department, appeared before the Board to bring the Board up to date on the City of Hamilton's 1996 Marketing Plan for the five City of Hamilton Museums, the objectives of which are as follows:

- a) the implementation of a worldwide web site for the Museums as part of the overall marketing mix; and,
- b) the redesign of the educational brochures to address the changes with the introduction of the common curriculum; and,
- c) the consolidation of the Museums' mailing list to increase direct marketing efforts; and,
- d) increase revenues from repeat cross Museum visitors; and,
- e) upgrade on-site signage for the Museums; and,
- f) capitalize on the City of Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations.

1995 attendance figures for each of the City's Museums were presented (the collection attendance in 1995 was 128,000).

Board Members were also advised of the advertising and promotion initiatives undertaken by the Department and sample brochures advertising programs at all five City museums were circulated for the Board's information.

David Adames advised that the 1996 Marketing Plan will be evaluated by tracking attendance at the five City Museums; visitor surveys at each Museum; and, a possible Marketing Survey by McMaster Business students during the 1996 Fall Semester.

**c) Veevers Estate**

Marilynn Havelka advised Board Members that during the week of 1996 May



9, there will be an Open House at the Veevers Estate staffed by students of Sheridan College. A history display of the Veevers Estate will be provided by Staff for the Open House.

5. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum

**Annual General Meeting**

Carolyn McCann reminded Board Members of the Hamilton Children's Museum's Annual General Meeting to be held on 1996 April 18.

b) Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee

(i) **1996 Commemorative Plaque**

Gordon Birk advised Board Members that funds are available for one commemorative plaque for 1996 and suggested that the Hamilton Historical Board and the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee start to discuss possible plaquing sites. Gordon Birk indicated that of the nine National Historical Sites in Hamilton, that only five have been plaqued. Mr. Birk suggested that the four remaining properties that have not yet been plaqued (original Armouries, the Custom House, Victoria Hall and the Royal Botanical Gardens) could be considered for the 1996 commemorative plaque.

(ii) **Barton Street Business Improvement Area Plaques**

Board Members were advised that the Barton Street Business Improvement Area has expressed an interest in the City's plaquing program. One of the buildings being considered is the commercial building owned by Kenesky Sports and Cycle Co. located at 228 Barton Street East. The Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee will investigate and report back at a future meeting.

(iii) **Jimmy Thompson Plaque**

Board Members were advised that the error on the Jimmy Thompson plaque has been corrected and that the plaque will be unveiled this Spring. The family will be contacted and invited to participate. Carolyn McCann suggested that Joanne Malar may be interested in taking part in the unveiling ceremony and the Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee agreed to follow up on this suggestion.

c) Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

In the absence of Brian Henley, there was no report.

d) Arts Advisory Commission

Claire Riddell reminded Board Members that the City will be hosting an Arts Symposium on 1996 May 16.

e) Hamilton History Sub-Committee

Walter Peace advised Board Members that the Hamilton History Sub-Committee will be meeting before the next Board Meeting and agreed to discuss the issue of the proposed bus shelters in Gore Park.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

The following Information Items as circulated with the agenda were received:

- a) Museum Reports for the month of 1996 March:
  - i) Hamilton Military Museum
  - ii) Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology
  - iii) Whitehern
  - iv) The Hamilton Children's Museum
  - v) Dundurn Castle
- b) Information Report dated 1996 April 1 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department respecting Volunteer Week - 1996 April 21 - 27.
- c) Information Report dated 1996 April 1 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department respecting a Conservation Intern from the Art Conservation Techniques Program, Sir Sanford Fleming College.
- d) Information Report dated 1996 April 1 from the Director, Culture and Recreation respecting the Historical Gardens at Dundurn Castle.

David Cuming suggested that Kathy Renwald from CHCH-TV be contacted to determine whether or not she would be interested in doing a feature on the Historical Gardens at Dundurn Castle on her gardening program. Marilynn Havelka agreed to contact Kathy Renwald in this regard.

- e) Memorandum dated 1996 March 29 from Therese Charbonneau, Conservator, to Marilynn Havelka, Manager of Heritage Services, respecting the Conservator's report for 1996 March.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

City View - Review of City of Hamilton Official Plan

The Board was in receipt of a copy of a Newsletter entitled "City View" as prepared by the City of Hamilton's Planning and Development Department requesting comments on Hamilton's Official Plan. The Secretary was directed to place this matter on the next meeting agenda for review so that comments can be forwarded to the Planning and Development Department.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

**Taken as read and approved**

**David Beland, Chairperson  
Hamilton Historical Board**

**Charlene Touzel, Secretary**



Monday, 1996 April 15  
4:00 o'clock p.m.  
Room 233, City Hall

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The Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee met.

There were present:

Vincenza Travale, Co-Chair  
Carmen Rizzotto, Executive Director  
Vito Sgro  
Albert Kergl  
Dr. J. David Richardson  
Daniel Charles  
Alfred Halbig  
Terry Mote  
Pat Amos  
Bill Rutledge  
John Syko  
Trish Simmons  
Brian Hinkley  
Brian Henley  
Dennis Missett  
Brian Mullan  
Ollie Thomson  
Kay Honda

Also present:

Wanda Dzierzbicki  
Ravinder Ruprai  
Elena James  
Tom Cooper  
Kim Scott

Regrets:

Milt Lewis, Co-Chair  
Leslie Pasis  
Shelley Merlo-Orzel  
Dave Ricketts  
Cecelia Carter-Smith  
Jonathan Morris

## AGENDA

Vincenza Travale began the meeting with an opening reflection.

1. Minutes of the meeting held Monday, 1996 March 11

The Committee was in receipt of the minutes of its meeting held Monday, 1996 March 11th, which were approved as circulated.

2. Co-Chair Report

H.R.H. Visit

Vincenza informed the Committee that H.R.H. Prince Charles will be in Hamilton on April 26th. During his visit he will be opening the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum. Also, the Prince will be attending a Sesqui event to be held at Copps Coliseum for school children, where he will unveil a Sesqui plaque that will be placed in Gore Park when the Fountain is restored.

Meal Appeal

Vincenza reported that there was enthusiasm for the concept, but due to difficult economic times, not enough restaurants were able to participate, and unfortunately we will not be proceeding with the project.

Commemorative Book

Vincenza told the Committee that the Book is coming along well, is 272 pages long, and has a planned publication date of July 12th.

Sesqui Super Home on Paradise Lottery

Vincenza informed the Committee that this project is moving along well, and it is expected that everything will be in place next week for application for the Lottery Licence.

Lakeport Brewing Corporation

Vincenza reported that the "Sesqui Neck Label" was unveiled on March 25th. 9,000,000 labels have been printed, and will be featured on Five Laker Premium Lager Brands this year.

Sesquicentennial Ball

Vincenza told the Committee that plans are moving along well for the Ball, which will take place on June 8th at the James Street Armouries. At midnight, in celebration of Hamilton's official Birthday, special Celebrations are being planned.

The Amazing Big V Neighbourhood Celebrations

Vincenza reported that plans for the picnics are progressing well.



### **SesQUILT**

Vincenza encouraged the Committee to visit "SesQUILT Station", which is now open in Jackson Square. She commented on the very positive response we have had with quilt block submissions representing a wonderful cross-section of Hamilton.

### **Hamilton Schools Celebrate Sesqui**

Vincenza informed the Committee that many schools are celebrating themes of Sesqui. Mayor Morrow, Sesqui the Mascot, Vincenza and Carmen Rizzotto have been visiting schools regularly, and are being well received.

### **Ford World Curling Championships**

Vincenza commented that Sesqui was pleased to be part of this successful event.

### **McMaster University**

Vincenza informed the Committee that Joanne Emerson is no longer at McMaster, and will be replaced by Sherry Cecil.

## **3. Executive Director Report**

### **Sesqui Office**

Carmen Rizzotto told the Committee that the Jackson Square office has been very busy, and extended his thanks to the staff for their hard work.

### **Commemorative Coin**

Carmen told the Committee that the Coin project is progressing well. The coin will be designed by Elizabeth Holbrook, and will feature Colin C. Ferrie and Dundurn Castle on it. The first Coin will be presented to the Governor General on June 8th by Ellen Fairclough, the first Post Mistress in Canada.

### **Sesqui Logo**

Carmen informed the Committee that the Sesqui Logo is appearing "everywhere", generating public awareness.

### **Governor General's Visit**

Carmen reported that the Governor General has confirmed his attendance at the Ball which will be held at the James Street Armoury.



#### **North American Town Cryer Championships**

Carmen told the Committee that the Championships will be incorporated into the July 12th Birthday Summer Celebrations at City Hall.

#### **4. Committee Reports**

##### **Sesqui Public Speaking Festival**

Patricia Amos informed the Committee that this project is under way, with Les Pasis sitting as Honourary Chairperson. Along with a call to the Community for participation that ran in the Spectator, applications have been sent to all schools, Mohawk College, McMaster University, and different adult organizations in Hamilton. There are six different age groups in the festival, and the deadline for application submission is May 3rd. The festival will take place at City Hall on three Sundays in September. It is hoped that the festival will leave a permanent legacy to the City, with an anthology and video to be made of the speeches, and Pat suggested that they be put in the Time Capsule.

##### **Market Celebrations**

Brian Hinkley reported that a Committee to celebrate the Hamilton Farmer's Market has been formed. Specific plans have not been decided, but will focus on celebrating the history of the Market as part of a long tradition in Hamilton. Proposed projects include displays and a stained glass window of the Sesqui Logo to be placed in the Market, sometime in September or October.

Brian also told the Committee that a separate group has been formed to celebrate the Hamilton Centre Mall Market. Proposed activities involve public participation, and may include a corn husking contest and corn roast. A celebrity event has also been suggested.

##### **Mardi Gras**

Albert Kergl informed the Committee that this event is only four weeks away, and is coming together well. He showed the Committee the colour poster to be used for promotion of the event. Albert reported that cost for the Saturday evening Costume Ball will be \$10.96, and will carry on the long tradition of Mardi Gras in Hamilton (since 1859). An hour-long parade is scheduled for Sunday, winding up at the Sheraton Hotel for a children's costume ball.

##### **Hamilton Public Library**

Brian Henley informed the Committee that the Sesqui Lecture Series continues Wednesday, April 24.



**Mohawk College**

Terry Mote reported that the Technology Showcase at Mohawk will be running May 6 - 10th, and distributed the programme for the event to the Committee. She mentioned that this event will be free to the public.

**Fountain Foundation**

Dennis Missett reported that casting of the fountain should be completed by the end of May, and that the assembly process has begun. The fully restored fountain is scheduled for unveiling sometime in September.

**Hamilton-Wentworth Regional Police**

Inspector Brian Mullan has replaced Superintendent Cliff Jackson on the Committee.

**The Spectator**

Trish Simmons told the Committee that The Spectator will be celebrating its 150th Birthday on June 2nd, and will celebrate with an Open House, consisting of exhibits and tours. On June 9th, a Special Sesquicentennial Commemorative Issue of the Spectator will be published.

**Sesqui Sports**

Vincenza Travale reported on behalf of Cecelia Carter-Smith that the Sesqui Sports Medallions have begun to be distributed, with a very positive response from recipients.

**Spectator Cup '96 Centennial**

Bill Rutlidge reported that \$25,000 from the proceeds of this event will be going to Easter Seals. Bill told the Committee that the program for this event will be made up next month, with a Media info-release scheduled for May 1st.

**The Amazing Big V Neighbourhood Celebrations**

Wanda Dzierzbicki reported that the June 9th picnics are coming along well. Dave Erseman of Big V is Chairing the event.

**Birthday Summer Celebration at City Hall**

Wanda told the Committee that plans for this event are well under way, and will have a Heritage theme.

5. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

Vincenza Travale, Co-Chair  
Hamilton Sesquicentennial Committee

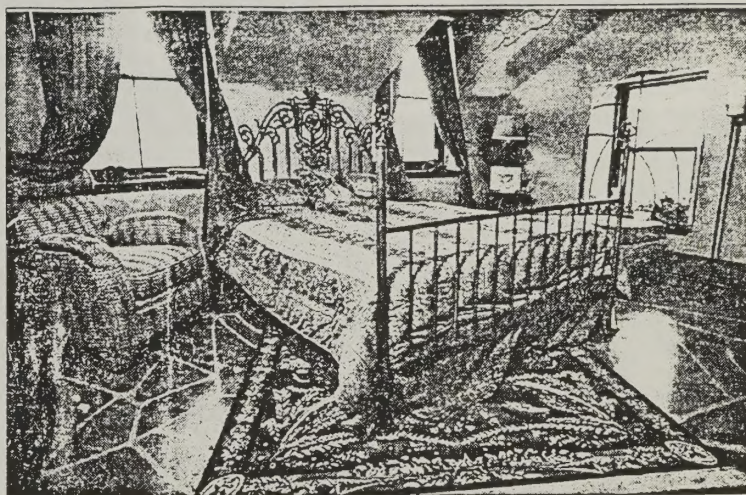
Milton Lewis, Co-Chair  
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## Imagination & ingenuity

Students create a showpiece with little cash but lots of talent and enthusiasm



Glen Manor's days of flock shock are over.

Gone is the hideous flocked wallpaper that adorned every room of the old estate, along with the gloomy dark wallpanelling, the patterned rugs and the desperately-dated furniture.

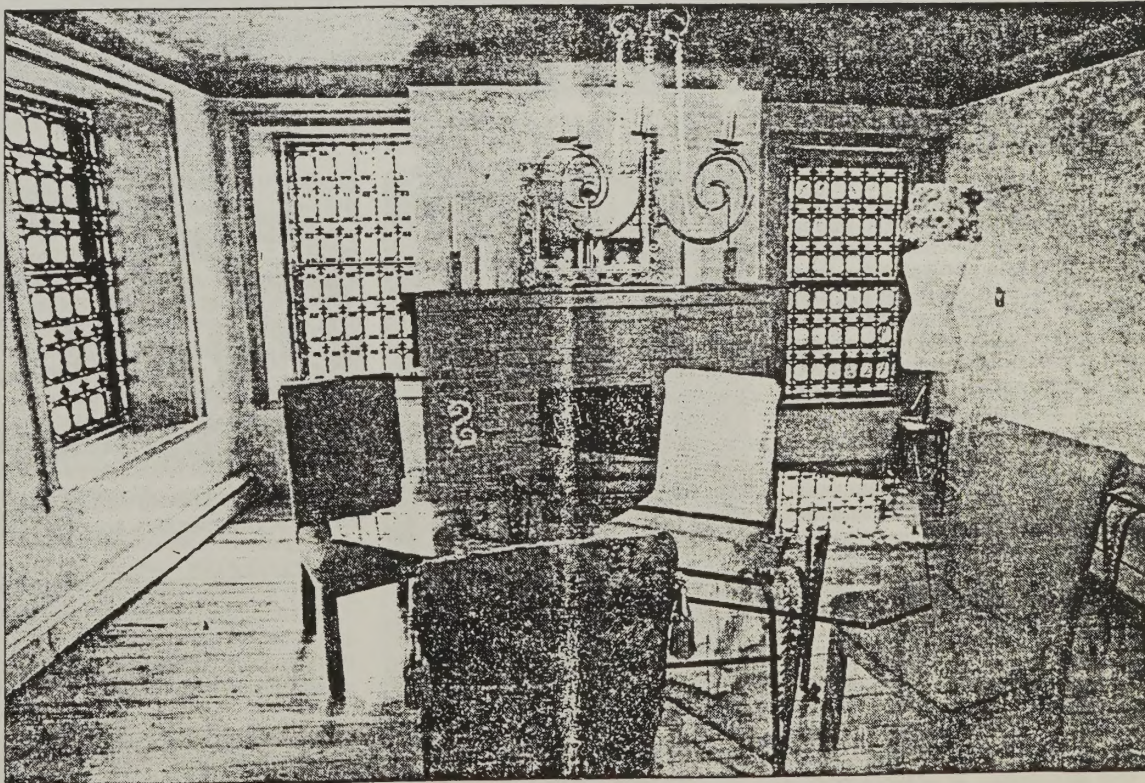
It has all been replaced by blasts of colour, funky faux finishes, new floor coverings, innovative window treatments and fabulous new furniture.

The two old bachelor brothers who lived there are probably rolling in their graves, speculates Mary Jane Carroll, director of the interior design program at Sheridan College.

It was her talented and creative students who transformed the historic east Hamilton home into the Sheridan Showcase House '96. Once owned by the wealthy Veevers dairy farming family, the 1802 quarry stone house and its 1.6-acre grounds were bequeathed to the city by the remaining two sons who died in the early '90s.

"It was structurally sound, but the house was what you'd expect from two old gentlemen living on their own without the aid of cleaning materials," Ms Carroll said diplomatically.

Decor and furnishings combined to give the place a look that was not only out of date, but heavy, forbidding and dark. The students succeeded in bringing in the natural light



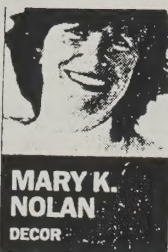
### NEED TO KNOW

■ Glen Manor is open Monday to Friday from noon to 8 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. through to May 26. Admission is \$5 with proceeds benefitting Martha House and bursaries and awards for Sheridan College. It's at 22 Veevers Dr. which runs east off Quigley Road.

Walls in the dining room, above, received an aged, ruin-like look with several different colours of paint. The ceiling and trim were painted in antique copper. Although the chandelier is from Sescolite, the mannequin lamp was made by a student and topped with a shade resembling a bonnet. Window grids are plastic fencing painted black and chairs are slip-covered in different fabrics from the same colour family. Top, the bedroom floor was painted to resemble stone and the wrought iron shutter in one of the windows was custom forged.



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### Statuary

The move to lighten up is particularly evident in the living room and library where Gigi, an exotic parrot from the city aviary, was used as the basis for the colour scheme. Her colours reappear in the brilliant sunny lemon yellow walls, the original red brocade drapes which were cut down into swag valances, the blue furniture and the green jungle of tropical plants.

Although each room was done individually by a student or team, a thread of continuity runs through the house, achieved partly by the use of colour, finishes and products lifted from nature—such as the soothing green of the home office, the grotto of stone and statuary created in the gallery overlooking the foyer, the stucco finish in the adobe-look bathroom, botanical print tiles in the kitchen, and the copper verdigris finish on the dining room fireplace.

"The students are given almost full autonomy," Ms Carroll said, "but proximity creates conformity on a project like this."

Restricted by budget, they had to beg, borrow and otherwise source out everything from light fixtures and furniture to fabric and paint for their showpiece rooms. Since the project's February start, siblings and friends have worked with them long into the night, fuelled by rock radio and coffee.

The youth, enthusiasm and obvious talent of the designers are reflected in the novel and often very simple ideas found in the rooms.

The powder room took on a seashore look when the designer mixed sand in-

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to the primer, faux finished the walls in natural white and sand and glued seashells on at random. She made a bough of seagrasses and shells to hang over the unattractive mirror and fashioned a plaster valance, again with shells, to canopy the window.

In the living room, squares of simple lattice fence have been cut to size, painted white, woven with artificial ivy, and fitted into the bottom half of the windows. The ornate "wrought iron" grills on the dining room windows are actually inexpensive plastic garden fence spray-painted black.

Glass shelves with simple arrangements of small plants, shells and glass bottles line the windows of the home office and maximize the light.

### Shutter

In the solarium, the tea room team painted low-grade linoleum green and drew an elegant flowered teacup on the floor to complement the tea and roses theme.

Real china teacups are displayed safely on lengths of plexiglass suspended from the ceiling.

A custom-forged iron shutter in the master bedroom barely covers the window, but gives the illusion of privacy. The hand-painted floor looks for all the world like expensive flagstone.

Even something as simple as a baseboard radiator becomes interesting when painted in four primary colors, as in the child's bedroom.

The seriously-damaged walls in the rear bedroom were attacked with tissue paper and podgy, then painted with cloths, to give a fascinating textured finish.

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Hand-painted teacup on the floor greets visitors to Glen Manor's tearoom. Inexpensive muslin panels cut down on sunlight.

John Rennison, The Spectator



# Bringing life to the core

## Condominium sales boom in old Pigott tower as Toronto firm develops its 'landmark project'

By JOHN BURMAN  
The Spectator

People do want to own property and live in downtown Hamilton.

Brisk sales of condominium units in the historic Pigott Building and former SunLife offices - 26 have been sold since May 11 - has surprised realtors handling the project and marketing representatives for The Canlight Group.

The Toronto-based company purchased what is now known as 36 James a little over one month ago.

"Of the 40 or so projects we have done across Canada, this is our landmark project," said Donald Kason, president of The Canlight Group's Canlight Property Management Ltd.

Canlight, which acquired the building after insurance giant Confederation Life ran into difficulties last year, was confident condos could sell in downtown Hamilton, he said.

"We believe the downtown areas in many communities are being revitalized," said Mr. Kason.

### Lister possibilities?

"We are looking to facilitate and benefit from that process."

Mr. Kason also said Canlight has had "discussions and casual chats" with City of Hamilton representatives about the Lister Block on James Street North.

"We've talked, that's all," he said.

The Lister Block, empty and boarded up last year by Toronto owner and developer Metrus Properties, has been suggested as a student residence or a residential development a number of times.

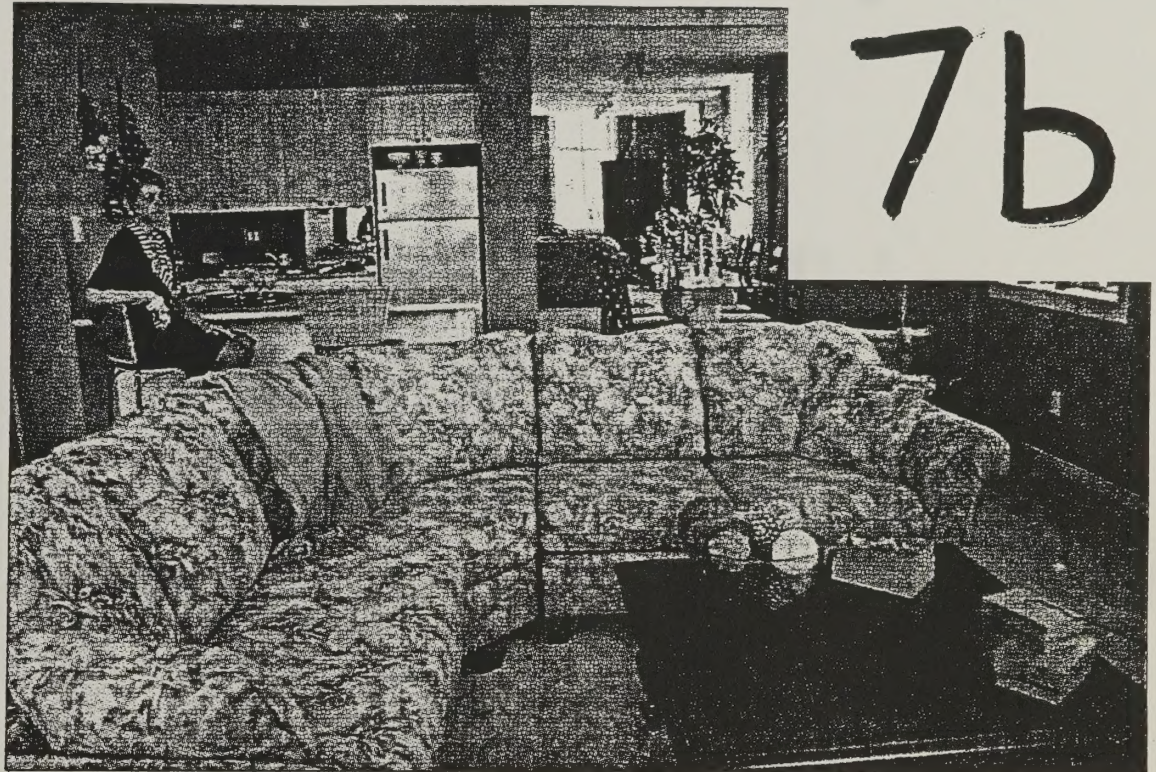
And the city is keen on preventing it from becoming yet another downtown parking lot.

Nick Catalano, Hamilton-Wentworth's economic development director, said to the best of his knowledge any discussion between the city and Canlight about the Lister Block has been, as Mr. Kason said, "informal and casual."

Back at the Pigott Building, Blair Gillis of Hamilton's Homelife State Realty Ltd., says unit sales have been "absolutely fantastic."

Tenants in the buildings get first dibs on purchasing their unit, he said, and the first phase of the sale was expected to be about 18 units.

Canlight did a mailing before the opening



Canlight vice-president of marketing Lynn Skilling shows off two-bedroom suite inside Pigott building.

Photos by Ron Pozzer, The Spectator

day of the sale and we had 300 people that weekend who wanted to check things out," says Mr. Gillis. "It's phenomenal the interest there is."

The Pigott building, Hamilton's first skyscraper, was built for \$1 million by J.A. Pigott, using architects Prack and Prack in 1928-29 on a lot Mr. Pigott's father had bought in 1889.

Considered for years to be Hamilton's premier business address, the Pigott Building was designated of historic interest in 1984 and conversion to condominiums began in earnest eight years ago.

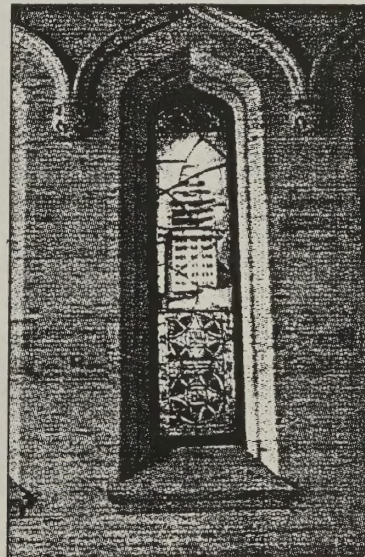
Instead, the building was fully rented out for six years while the owners waited for the condo market to recover during the recession starting in 1990.

The tenants who rented in the building included everyone from doctors and lawyers to professors and business people.

"The tenant profile has been excellent and many of them are interested in purchasing their unit," said Mr. Gillis, adding the realtors expect to sell about 20 per cent of the building to existing tenants.

"For many, it is an investment," he said.

Prices for the units in various sizes and styles range from \$50,290 for the 640-square-foot Carnegie model to



Stained glass detail provides extra colour inside complex.

\$102,990 for the 1,168-square-foot Waldorf suite.

"These are definitely people who want to live and shop downtown," he said. "Some of them own businesses downtown and like to be close."

Mr. Gillis said he expects the units

will be sold in stages, 20 at a time as leases expire. So far sales have already surpassed the anticipated total for the first phase.

Lynn Skilling, vice-president of marketing for Canlight, said the company was pleased at the response to the sale because it had not been widely advertised.

"I've never seen anything quite like it," she said adding the company logged 200 inquiries before the sale and some 300 after the May 11 start.

"It would appear there is a great public demand to live in a quality heritage building downtown," she said.

Canlight was founded in Toronto in 1987 and has a wide range of property development and management operations stretching from Belleville to Vancouver to Phoenix, Az.

The Canlight Group consists of Canlight Property Management Ltd., with offices in London, Ont. and Toronto; Canlight Development Ltd., focusing on development of residential and commercial properties, and Canlight Securities Ltd.

The securities arm is a limited market dealer licensed by the Ontario Securities Commission and specializing in limited partnership syndications for condominium, retirement homes and townhouse developments.



# Principles of Life Science

The study of life science is a branch of science that deals with the study of living organisms and their interactions with the environment. It is a multidisciplinary field that draws on principles from biology, chemistry, and physics to understand the complex processes of life.

Life science is a broad field that encompasses a wide range of topics, from the study of individual organisms to the study of entire ecosystems. It is a field that is constantly evolving, as new discoveries are made and our understanding of the natural world deepens. The study of life science is essential for understanding the world around us and for developing new technologies and treatments for various diseases.

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# Delta spouter used Gore Park dish

## Memorial fountain built in 1964 recycled parts of Victorian beauty

Last week, we ran a big picture of crusty foundry owner Archie McCoy working hard on the new Gore Park fountain.

The article explained that it's a replica of the old one, erected downtown in 1860.

Janie Sled read that story. She took another look at the picture, at the fancy lines of that fountain in progress. Then she left this message on the StreetBeat machine:

"There used to be a fountain at the Delta that looked like this one. Was the Gore Park fountain ever at the Delta?"

Interesting question. I checked the files. Janie takes the jackpot.

On the last day of July 1964, an anxious group of Parks Board men assembled in the triangle at the Delta — that storied little patch where King meets Main.

The Parks people had a lot on the

line. They had declared publicly that they knew how to build a fountain that worked. The city, separate from the Parks Board in those days, was having fountain troubles all over the place — at Gore Park, at city hall, at Sam Lawrence Park.

They flicked the switch at the Delta that day and a trusty little pump sent water tumbling over the tiers.

The Gore Park fountain had been torn down five years earlier and replaced with an awful saucer-shaped structure, fabulous '50s style.

But at least the original metal dish and spout were saved for another day.

And that day came with the death of Josephine Hyslop. In her will, she left \$8,000 to the Parks Board to erect a fountain in memory of her late son Edward.

As it turned out, that was just enough money.

The parks board built a big stone basin and a concrete pillar. Atop it, they mounted the ornate dish.

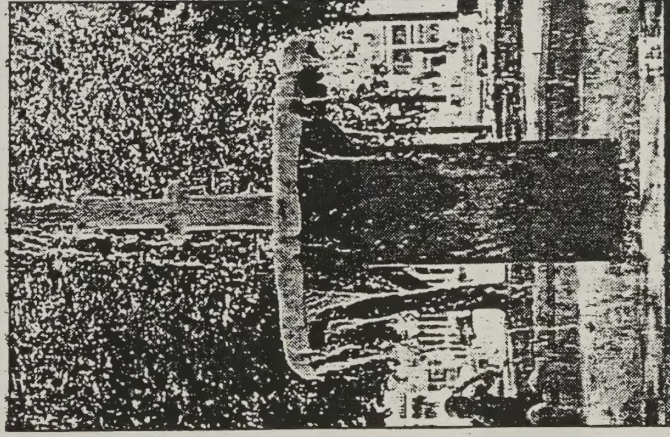
They put flowerbeds around the border of the triangle and moved the WWI cannon off to the corner. Amidst all that traffic, a pretty park was born.

So I called Janie Sled, told her all this. She was glad to hear it.

"I've lived all over the city, but I've always liked the Delta."

"I'm 50 and many of the areas of my youth have disappeared," she said. "But the Delta seems the same."

Not quite. Some years ago, that fountain built for a mother's lost son was dismantled. The new one comes to the Gore this fall.



Fountain was built in memory of Josephine Hyslop's son.

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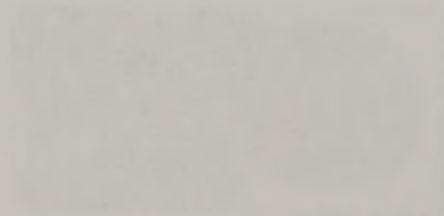
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## New life for ailing core

A draft proposal presented to the Greater Hamilton Downtown Community Development Corp. suggests exempting developers from a variety of fees. If approved, it is expected to pump new life into the downtown.

By ANDREW DRESCHER  
The Spectator

**D**owntown Hamilton as a tax-free zone? Not exactly, but a plan for revitalizing the core suggests exempting developers from a variety of fees to help create a friendly investment climate.

A draft proposal presented yesterday to the Greater Hamilton Downtown Community Development Corp. suggests dropping development charges, fees for building, water, and sewer permits, and any other fees a developer might encounter.

### Grand strategy

Nick Catalano, Hamilton-Wentworth economic development director, told the CDC board that inducements such as a no-fee zone are the "meat and potatoes" of a grand strategy aimed at pumping new life into the ailing core.

The CDC is a partnership of political and business representatives formed about a year ago to develop ideas to revitalize the area bounded by Wellington, Queen, Hunter and Cannon streets.

A proposal to drop development fees has already been referred to city council's finance and planning committee. The same proposal came up at regional council this week and was also referred to staff.

Mr. Catalano said his plan takes the idea a step further, but he stresses the proposals are preliminary.

"If needs staff input, finance department input and tax input. That's why you see draft stamped all over the document," he said.

Mr. Catalano said the only city in Canada that has tried something similar is North York which attempted to create a downtown on a suburban



Catalano



Morrow

stretch of Yonge Street.

"They found it did encourage development. They monitored it and continued it for about two years and in their opinion it was successful."

Other inducements include:

- Turning the core into a "no-zone" to allow regional and city staff greater flexibility in dealing with development proposals which may not comply with zoning bylaws but are desirable for core revitalization.

- Provide more parking on King and Main streets to generate shopping.

- Consider closing the south leg of King Street between James and John streets from June to September to create a pedestrian thoroughfare.

The overall thrust is to make the downtown a centre for retail, residential and commercial activity, said Mr. Catalano. He said the core can't compete with suburban malls and instead should concentrate on establishing itself as a special destination and landmark.

Other recommendations include:

- Targeting specific businesses for development projects, including creating entertainment and office centres and an interactive museum. A number of confidential projects are being discussed, according to the report.

- Encouraging and, if necessary, forcing property owners to fix up their buildings.

- Demolishing derelict properties that have no historical, cultural or heritage value which would free up space for new development.

Mr. Catalano's plan is a good lineup of proposals, says Mayor Bob Morrow, a CDC member.

The final plan is expected to be completed in July and will then go to city and regional councils for consideration.



# Hopeful ideas for downtown

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**Renewal of the Hamilton downtown may get a needed boost with serious consideration of fee waivers, no-zone zoning and other development ideas.**

**H**amilton's dream of revitalizing its downtown may be one step closer to reality with a new proposal to waive development charges for projects in the city core, including fees for water, building and sewer permits.

The idea, suggested by city and regional politicians, is worthy of serious study. It could form one part of an overall strategy urgently needed to make downtown Hamilton a vital regional centre for peoples' retail, residential, entertainment and commercial needs — and in ways that are unique from the suburban malls.

While the no-fee proposal and related ideas are still in a very preliminary stage, they are important in that they emphasize private-sector initiatives that have been sorely lacking in downtown restoration efforts.

Many positive downtown initiatives have come from government and private donations. The most recent of these is the relocation of commuter train and bus service to the restored former TH&B railway station. Another exciting milestone for downtown will be the planned September unveiling of a reconstructed replica of the 1860 fountain at Gore Park, the symbolic centre of Hamilton.

But governments alone cannot renew a city centre. Sustainable private developments are also needed to create a healthy and diverse mix of places and services that would draw residents and out-of-region visitors. That's why the recent proposals to help make the city centre a more viable and attractive investment are critical for detailed study by city and regional councils as well as by the Greater Hamilton Downtown Community Development Corp.

The no-fee proposal is now being reviewed by finance and tax officials. But Councillor Frank D'Amico told city council last week that the idea had worked well to kick-start the \$50-million Citywalk Entertainment Centre in North York. It will offer Metro residents multiple cinemas, eateries, bookstores, music and computer shops, as well as a pedestrian link to the Yonge subway.

Adopting a no-fee approach in Hamilton could mean some loss in fees to government coffers. But, as Alderman Vince Agro noted, with the current dearth of private development in the core anyway, finance and tax officials may find only a minimal loss that may be potentially offset with other benefits from new or restoration projects. If feasible, the no-fee proposal may even be implemented for a trial period and monitored to ensure it works to the city's and region's benefit.

Another proposal is a "no-zone zone" that would allow greater flexibility for land uses that may not comply with existing zoning bylaws but are desirable for core revitalization. For instance, planners Robert Miller and Leah Wallace noted on The Spec's Forum page recently that Toronto is proposing allowing some vacant or underused manufacturing and commercial buildings to be used for mixed and previously prohibited activities, including combined work-living units.

Rather than wince at these made-in-Toronto solutions, Hamilton politicians should instead search for remedies and share information based on other cities' experiences with revitalization.

Amid the current crop of city and regional proposals for revitalization, however, there seems to be something missing. Alderman Geraldine Copps was right to remind city council that while bricks and mortar are important, revitalization plans must take into account the need for parkland in the city core.



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## RE BILL 20 - AMENDMENTS TO THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT

I am pleased to inform you that Bill 20, the *Land Use Planning and Protection Act, 1996*, received Royal Assent on April 3, 1996. Please be advised that a number of changes designed to streamline the *Ontario Heritage Act (OHA)* took effect as of that date.

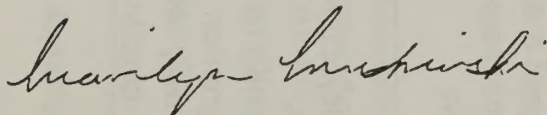
These changes, which respond to longstanding concerns of municipalities and other stakeholders, will have the effect of simplifying and expediting decisions under the *OHA*. A brief description of these changes is enclosed with this letter.

Please note that the rest of Bill 20, including the changes to the *Planning Act*, comes into force on proclamation, expected soon. The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing will be sending out a communications package on these changes to municipalities and others at that time.

Copies of the Bill will be available from the Publications Ontario Bookstore (416-326-5320). Should you have any questions about the *Ontario Heritage Act* amendments, please contact Dan Schneider, Cultural Policy Branch, at 416-314-7165.

With respect to the broader overhaul of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, the Government recognizes that significant changes to the legislation are needed. I am very hopeful that we will be able to address this important issue as soon as the legislative agenda allows.

Yours sincerely,



Marilyn Mushinski  
Minister



**BILL 20 - LAND USE PLANNING AND PROTECTION ACT, 1996, S.O. 1996, c.4  
AMENDMENTS TO THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, c.O.18**

| Activity                                                                                                                                                              | Old Requirements                                                                                                                          | **New Requirements**                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| <p><i>Designation - Public notice</i></p> <p>Giving of public notice of intention to designate and of passage of designation by-law</p>                               | <p>Municipality required to publish notice in newspaper on three consecutive weeks</p> <p>[s. 67(3) of OHA]</p>                           | <p>One newspaper notice is required</p> <p>[s. 64 of Bill repeals s. 67(3) of OHA; companion amendments are made to other sections]</p>                                                                                                                           |
| <p><i>Repeal of Designation - Public notice</i></p> <p>Giving of public notice of intention to repeal a designation by-law and of passage of the repealing by-law</p> | <p>As above</p>                                                                                                                           | <p>As above</p> <p>[s. 64]</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <p><i>Designation - objections</i></p> <p>A person objecting to a proposed designation or repeal of designation may wish to withdraw the objection</p>                | <p>Not explicit that objector could withdraw objection or that Conservation Review Board could cancel hearing if objection withdrawn.</p> | <p>Explicitly allows objector to withdraw objection by serving notice of withdrawal on clerk of the municipality and CRB; CRB must then cancel hearing</p> <p>[ss. 55-58 of Bill amend ss. 29(15), 32(13), and 33(14) of OHA ; similar amendments to Part VI]</p> |



| Activity                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Old Requirements                                                                                                                                        | **New Requirements**                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| <p><i>Archaeological licensing</i></p> <p>Under Part VI of the Act the Minister of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation is responsible for archaeological licensing</p>                                                                                | <p>Before issuing, renewing or revoking a licence the Minister is required to consult with the Ontario Heritage Foundation</p> <p>[s. 48(3) of OHA]</p> | <p>The consultation requirement is removed, with the result that the Foundation has no statutory role in the licensing process</p> <p>[s. 59 of Bill repeals s. 48(3) of OHA]</p>                                                        |
| <p><i>Conservation Review Board - Pre-hearing consultations</i></p> <p>Pre-hearing consultations are used to try to resolve objections for the purpose of avoiding the need for a hearing or narrowing the issues to be dealt with at the hearing</p> | <p>No provision for pre-hearing consultations</p>                                                                                                       | <p>The CRB is empowered to direct the parties to attend a pre-hearing conference to discuss and resolve objections. The Board may also hold such hearings by telephone or other electronic means.</p> <p>[s. 65 adds s. 67.1 to OHA]</p> |

For further information contact the Cultural Programs Branch, Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation







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**THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF HAMILTON**  
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF  
THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**Subject:** RESIDENTIAL DENSITY IN THE "I"  
(CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT)

**Date:** June 19, 1996

**Time:** 9:45 a.m.

**Location:** Room 233, 2nd Floor  
City Hall

Charlene Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee

The Planning and Development Committee will hold a Public Meeting to consider a City Initiative for a proposed amendment respecting residential density for multiple dwellings in the "I" (Central Business District) District, as shown on the map below.

The purpose of the proposed amendment is to delete the minimum lot area requirement of 65m<sup>2</sup>/unit, and allow a gross floor area ratio of eleven (11) times the lot area for multiple dwellings.

The proposed amendment to the City of Hamilton Zoning By-law No. 6593 complies with the City of Hamilton Official Plan, therefore, an Official Plan amendment would not be required.

You may submit comments in writing indicating your support or opposition to the proposed By-law amendment to the Secretary of the Planning and Development Committee.

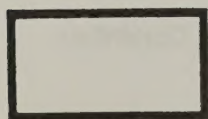
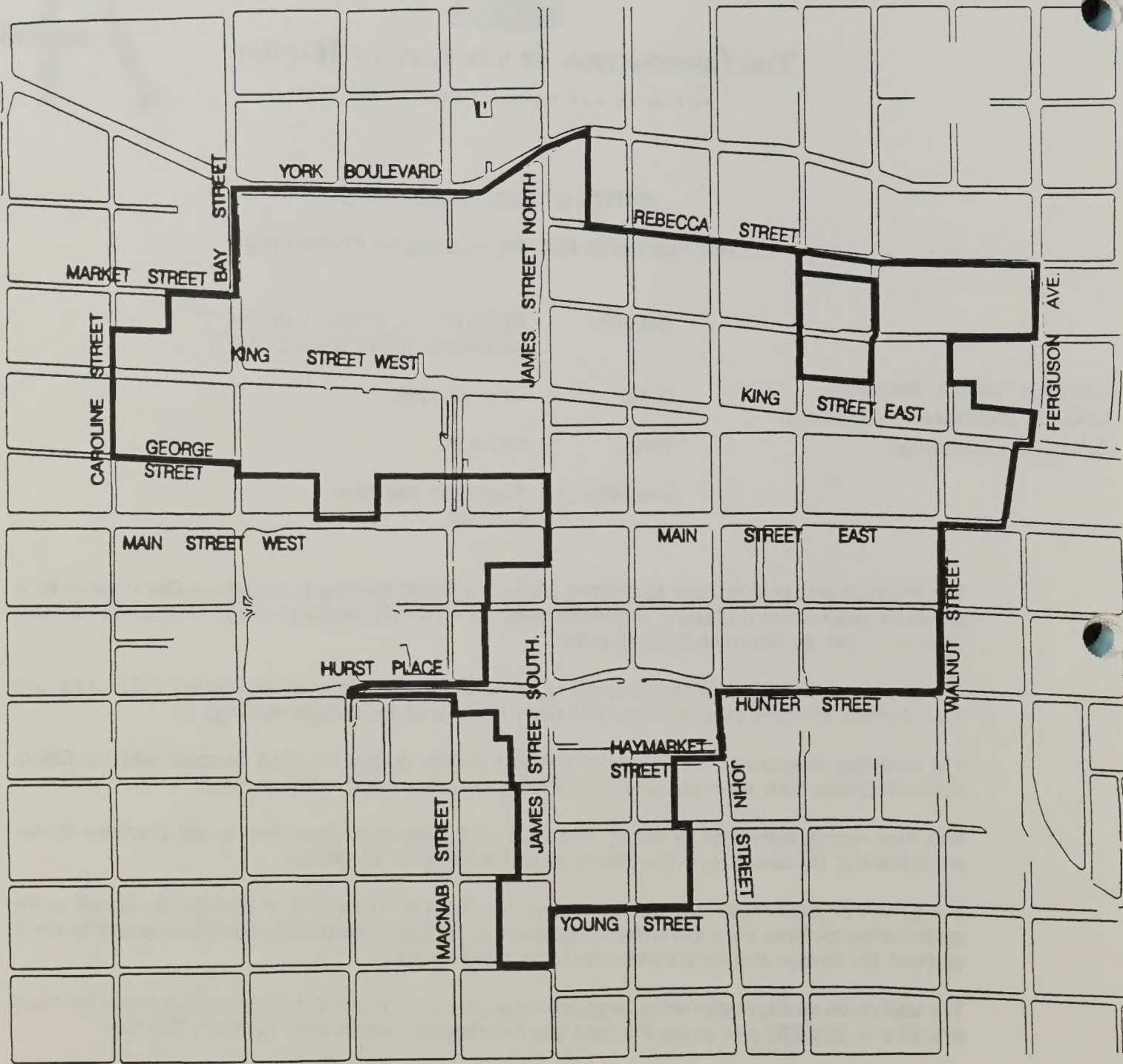
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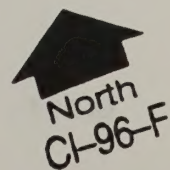
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**THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF HAMILTON**

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

**PUBLIC MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** June 19, 1996  
**TIME:** 9:30 a.m.  
**LOCATION:** Room 233, 2nd Floor, City Hall

Charlene Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee

An application has been received from **George Lima**, owner, for a modification to the established "D" (Urban Protected Residential - One and Two Family Dwellings, etc.) District for property located at 18 Homewood, as shown on the attached map.

The purpose of the proposed modification in zoning is to permit four (4) dwelling units within the existing residential building.

The application would not require an amendment to the City of Hamilton Official Plan.

It is requested that you complete and return the enclosed business reply card indicating your support or opposition to the proposed amendment. You may also submit additional comments in writing to the Secretary of the Planning and Development Committee.

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If you require additional information, please call Mr. J. Lakatos of the Planning Department at 546-4168.

Secretary  
Planning and Development Committee

May 31, 1996

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## THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF HAMILTON

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

**Subject:** OVERBUILDING STUDY  
("MONSTER HOMES")

**Date:** June 19, 1996

Charlene Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee

**Time:** 9:45 a.m.

**Location:** Room 233, 2nd Floor, City Hall

### WESTDALE NORTH AND WESTDALE SOUTH NEIGHBOURHOODS

The Planning and Development Committee will hold a Public Meeting to consider a proposed amendment to the City of Hamilton Zoning By-law No. 6593 to regulate the overbuilding of single detached dwellings ("Monster Homes").

The purpose of the proposed Zoning By-law amendment is to provide for a modification to the established zoning for the Westdale North and Westdale South Neighbourhoods as shown on the map below. Specifically, the proposed Zoning By-law amends the following Districts:

- "C" (Urban Protected Residential, etc.) District;
- "D" (Urban Protected Residential - One and Two Family Dwellings, etc.) District;
- "E" (Multiple Dwellings, Lodges, Clubs, etc.) District;
- "G" (Neighbourhood Shopping Centre, etc) District; and,
- "H" (Community Shopping and Commercial, etc.) District.

The City of Hamilton Zoning By-law currently permits the construction of new dwellings or the addition onto existing dwellings that are substantially larger than the existing dwellings in established residential areas. This is commonly referred to as "Monster Homes". In order to ensure compatibility between existing dwellings and new dwellings, a number of amendments to the Zoning By-law are proposed.

The effect of the By-law is to regulate the height, bulk and size of single detached dwellings to ensure compatibility with the existing housing stock. As such, the proposed By-law will:

- regulate the height of dwellings;
- regulate the maximum permitted size of new dwellings; and,
- regulate the lot coverage of new dwellings.

The proposed general text amendment to the City of Hamilton Zoning By-law No. 6593 complies with the City of Hamilton Official Plan, therefore, an Official Plan amendment would not be required.

You may submit comments in writing indicating your support or opposition to the proposed By-law amendment to the Secretary of the Planning and Development Committee.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the City of Hamilton in respect of the proposed by-law does not make written submission to the City of Hamilton before the proposed by-law is adopted, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

The staff report on this matter will be available on or after June 17, 1996 for inspection between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the Planning and Development Department, 7th Floor, City Hall (copies of the staff report will be available for a fee of \$5.00).

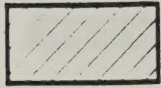
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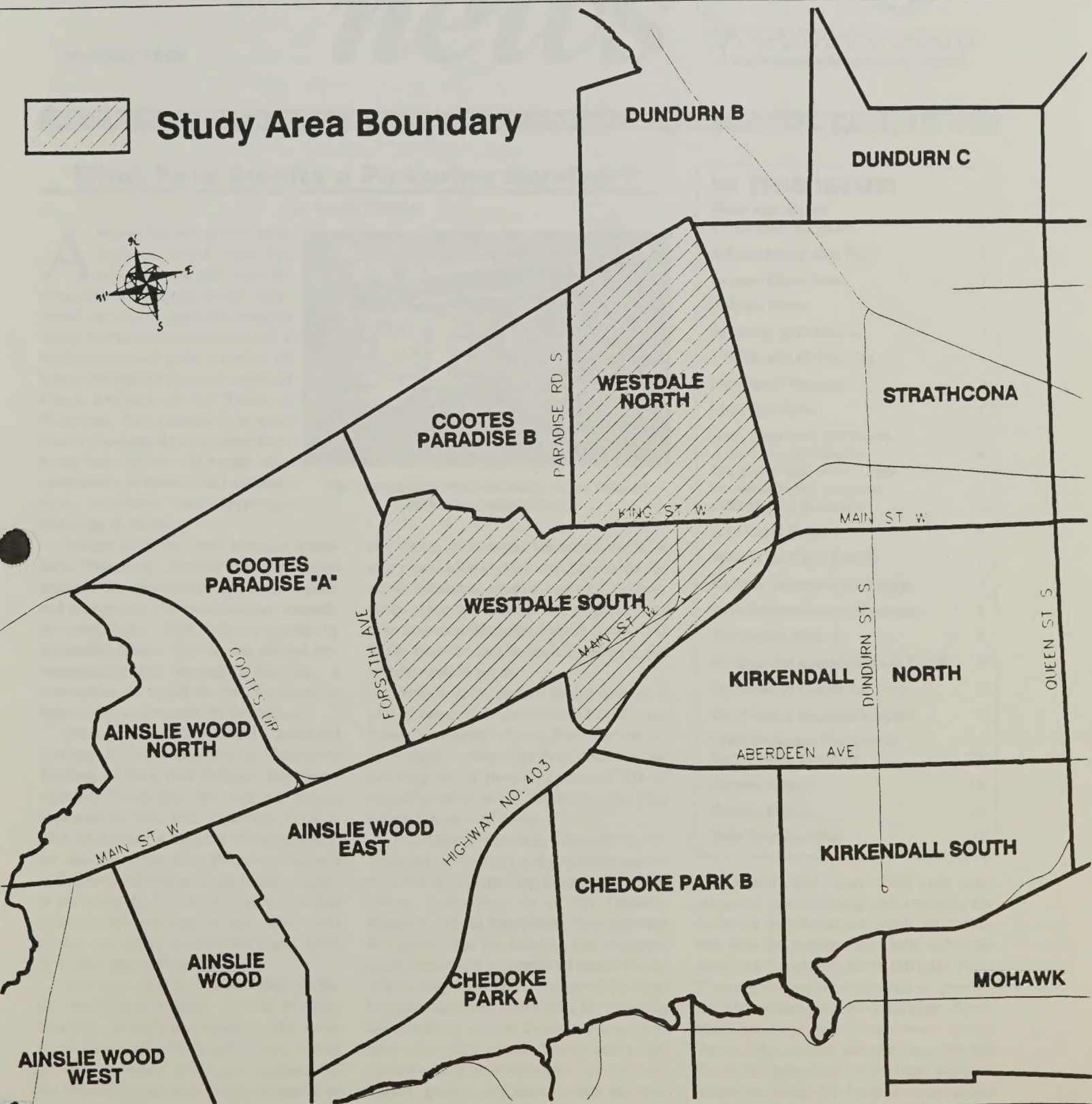
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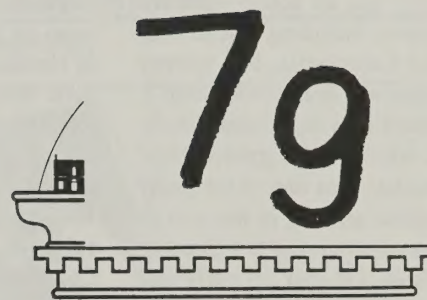






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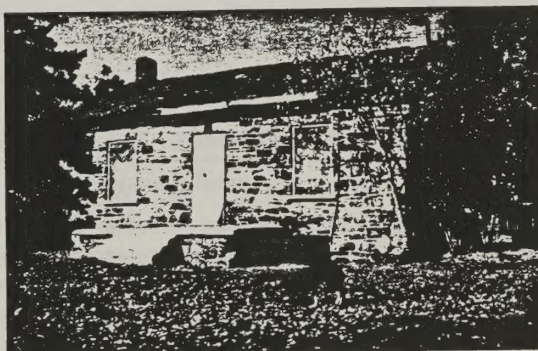


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## What Fate Awaits a Pickering Survivor?

by David Pickles

Among the mature Norway Spruces, which stand like majestic sentinels, rests the Campbell-McPherson house. Neglected, yet still elegant, the house is today nestled into the corner of a neighbourhood park situated on Lynn Heights Drive, just north of Finch Avenue, in the Town of Pickering. The gracefully proportioned Classical Revival stone farm house has become the centre of a controversy between local subdivision residents and Heritage Pickering (LACAC).



The Campbell-McPherson House in the Town of Pickering awaits its fate

In June 1995, the Town Manager reported to Pickering Council that the vacant house is in a deteriorated condition, unsafe, and an eyesore. He recommended immediate demolition. Fortunately, a motion by Councillor Enrico Pistrutto was carried recommending that Heritage Pickering, a Committee on which he sits, be given an opportunity to comment on the matter.

Heritage Pickering retained a historical and architectural consultant, Catherine Tredway of Barn Owl Designs. Her investigation found that the original patent appeared to have been issued in 1799 to Alex McQueen, a member of the military. As was then common, McQueen returned to England without making improvements to the property. The house, typical of that found in the area during the 1830-1860 period, was likely constructed about 1845 by a later owner, Rew James.

Tredway's assessment concluded that the residence still boldly exhibits its early Canadian architectural integrity. The stone is of local origin and indicative of the Scottish masonry techniques common in the Pickering area at the time. Attention to detail is also shown by the decorated soffit

and fascia. A transom lite above the front entry provides an upscale flavour to the entry. Moderate interior renovations have taken place but most of the original floor plan and mouldings are largely intact. It is likely that the facade once featured a flat or gable ended porch.

*Perhaps occasionally, as the night gave way to dawn, Rew James would sip hot tea between morning chores from that porch. Such opportunities may have been few, for carving-out a proud farm and life of rugged comfort in the 1800s required long hours, brawn, and beast.*

Heritage Pickering, supporting the consultant's findings, subsequently passed a motion recommending designation of the house under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act. In September, they reported to Council that the building has historical significance and is worthy of preservation. Viable long-term options adopted by other municipalities and authorities for retaining and restoring similar houses on their present site were cited. These included, among others, restoration for use by community groups and lease or sale for residential purposes.

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Council and Town staff also were reminded that retaining and restoring the house on its present site would be consistent with the policies contained within the Town of Pickering draft Official Plan. Those policies are intended to prevent demolition and support restoration of cultural heritage resources owned by the Town. Also raised was the need for the Town to undertake immediate work to secure the house for the short-term as had been previously directed by Council.



The property was an active farm for several generations, including at least four generations of Campbells. For twenty seven years it also was home to William T. Dunbar, a member of a significant family in Pickering's history. His grandfather, William J.P. Dunbar, was one of the many natives of Scotland arriving in the area in the early century and giving it a Scottish character. William J.P. took an early and active interest in religious and social matters in the area, served as a Justice of the Peace, and a Commissioner of Common Schools. Being members of the Reform Party, William J.P. and his eldest sons were arrested, but shortly after released, as suspected supporters of the 1837 Mackenzie rebellion.

As William McKay notes in *The Pickering Story*, during a time of quickening pace of settlement and commerce, William J.P. founded in 1849 his namesake community, the Village of Dunbarton, just north of Frenchmen's Bay. He was a key mover in the establishment of the Pickering Harbour Company, which received a federal charter in 1877 to most of Frenchmen's Bay which is still in force today.

*The village of Dunbarton overlooks Frenchmen's Bay. Against the backdrop of blue sky and water, the breeze catches the rigging of schooners and whisks the billowing smoke of steamers gliding on the bay. Ships moored at the dock are being loaded with wheat and lumber from local mills and destined for ports such as Toronto or New York.*

Another notable later occupant of the house was Jean McPherson, deputy-reeve for the Town of Pickering in 1959. In 1984, at the time of subdivision development in the surrounding area, the house, by then vacant, become the property of the Town.

The fate of the property was considered at the Town's Executive Committee and Council meetings of November 13 and December 4, 1995 respectively. The Town, by this time having reversed its preference for demolition, recommended initiating heritage designation and consulting further with Town staff, residents, and Heritage Pickering on its disposition. Nearby residents attending both meetings were understandably concerned about any adverse effects to the park, noise, and traffic. They voiced their concerns regarding potential uses for the house and stated their preference that it be moved or demolished. Further, they requested more time for local

consultation on solutions prior to any decisions on the matter by Council. Members of Heritage Pickering supported the immediate historical designation and eventual restoration of the house on its present site. Council deferred the matter of designation to September 1996 and instructed that the Town proceed with the recommended consultation on options and report back to Council at that time.

At this time, only one of the consultation meetings with the concerned parties has taken place. Little progress has been made in determining options for future uses of the property. Unfortunately, the parties' views appear to be far apart. Residents consider the house an eyesore and a safety concern. They are worried that any residential or other use will devalue their properties. They are seeking either

demolition or relocation of the house. Heritage Pickering has seen other vacant historic properties fall into disrepair beyond saving and therefore feel that an occupant, whether a community organization or resident, in addition to restoration, is needed to preserve the house.

Heritage Pickering is encouraging designation and preservation on the original site and is hopeful that Council and the local residents will recognize the house as a notable and complimentary feature of the neighbourhood. It has a strong historical association with the past and has been home to several historical and political notaries.

*One of the dedicated members of Heritage Pickering, David Pickles, has served on the Committee since his appointment in 1991.*

## A Lady Needs Your Help!

by Janet Swaine

Words, written by Pam Dillon in September 1995 for Kingston's *This Week* publication, aptly describe The Elizabeth Cottage. "Bedecked with lacy gingerbread trim and elaborate architectural detail, The Elizabeth Cottage itself is a lady from the bygone era." Sadly, this beautiful building is badly in need of restorative work to prevent any further irreparable damage to her exterior.



**The Elizabeth Cottage, Kingston**  
Noel Bullock, Upper Canada Restoration

As one of the oldest cities in Canada, Kingston boasts many well-known heritage buildings. One lesser known, but no less significant building, is The Elizabeth Cottage at 251 Brock Street. Designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, it is currently used as a residence for thirteen elderly ladies.

The Cottage pays tribute to another time and place in our history. In the 1830s, when the government of Canada decided that Portsmouth (a small village outside of Kingston) would be the best site for a penitentiary, they brought a distinguished architect, Edward Horsey, to Kingston to build it. Horsey had his own residence built at the site that is now 251 Brock Street. It was modelled on his home at Sherborne in Dorset, England. The design

is reminiscent of a Gothic manor house; its chandeliers are replicas from Westminster Abbey.

In this house, which became known as The Cottage, Edward and Jane Horsey raised seven children, one of whom was Elizabeth Horsey. Miss Elizabeth married Fyfe

Fowler who later became Dean of Medicine at Queen's University. For his part, Miss Elizabeth's father continued on to design the famous courthouse, and several other buildings.

At the time of the marriage of Miss Elizabeth and Fowler, Edward and Jane Horsey moved to a house at 249 Brock



Street, leaving The Cottage to the newly wed couple. The Fowlers raised five children, none of whom married. It was in memory of Elizabeth Horsey Fowler that two of her daughters, Louisa and Catherine, bequeathed the home as a place in which elderly ladies could spend their senior years in peace and comfort.

Since 1954, The Elizabeth Cottage has been funded from a trust fund set up by Miss Fowler, modest rents charged to the residents, and donations. No public funding is received and the organization now has charitable status. The general operation is overseen by a Board of Directors consisting of eight volunteers from the community. There is a staff of four full-time and seven part-time employees.

The upkeep of The Elizabeth Cottage has become a challenge to the Board of Directors who are dedicated to maintaining this home for future years. She is showing her age, but with some financial support combined with a lot of patience and loving care, The Elizabeth Cottage could be restored to her original beauty. The necessary work is already under consideration by a local architectural restoration expert. Fundraisers are an ongoing exercise and have begun to provide hope to the Board that there are people who share an interest and responsibility to the past. To see The Elizabeth Cottage is to love her and to understand why thirteen of our senior citizens cherish this house they call home.

With recent property tax increases and necessary work being done to meet required fire codes, our funds are depleting. Financial assistance toward the full restoration is needed. *No one wishes to see this wonderful example of our history fade away and be forgotten.* Please contact Mrs. Janet Swaine, Elizabeth Cottage, 251 Brock St., Kingston, Ontario, K7L 1S3.

*Janet Swaine is a member of the Board of Directors of The Elizabeth Cottage and Treasurer of the Building Fund.*

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## Lessons From Rome

by James Ashby

**D**oCoMoMo Ontario is affiliated with an international network of professionals dedicated to documenting and conserving modern movement buildings, sites, and neighbourhoods. It strives to enhance the awareness and promote the preservation of our twentieth century cultural heritage. Recently, a presentation by this author entitled, "The Conservation Status of Modern Architecture in Rome and Lazio, 1918 to 1945," delineated some of the issues surrounding the vast and varied cultural legacy of the Fascist period in the Italian capital.

Italian legislation to protect twentieth century cultural heritage is of particular interest to Ontario inasmuch as it offers an alternative to our system. Law 1089 was passed in 1939 to ensure the "safeguard of items of historic and artistic interest." This effectively ensures the protection of all sites over the age of fifty years. A *Soperintendenza* prepares a list of the particular assets of a property which are worthy of conservation. The list is included in all documents concerning the legal title of the property. For such properties, the law states that the owner is required to submit plans to the *Soperintendenza* in order to obtain authorization for any work they intend to execute. While this law places a burden on the superintendent authority to document cultural assets as well as review proposed alterations, it does ensure that all sites, including industrial archaeology, parks, and agricultural landscapes, may be protected. At the same time, the plans examiners must be educated as to the value of the architecture of this period.

For sites younger than fifty years, the 1941 Italian law, 633, states, "creative works in the fields of music, figurative



**Housing in Ostia, Italy.**

A. Libera, Architect, 1932 - 1934. From: B. Moretti, *Case d'abitazione in Italy*. Ulrico Hoepli, 1953

arts, theatre, and cinema, regardless of their form of expression, must be protected." In fact, this law applies to all works, regardless of age. In practice, it protects the rights of the author rather than the integrity of the object. Should a site be ascribed "artistic value" and the proposed alterations are deemed harmful to the original author's reputation, then the original author will be responsible for the design of the intervention. While this legislation is more than fifty years old, it is proving to have some degree of success in preventing the degradation of significant modern buildings in Rome and Lazio. To date, more than five hundred sites built prior to 1945 have been initially registered by the *Soperintendenza* and all alterations to these structures require approval.

*James Ashby, B.E.S., B.Arch., of C.A. Ventin Architect Ltd. was the 1995 Canadian participant in the ICCROM's International Architectural Conservation course in Italy and is a past coordinator of DoCoMoMo.*



## Editor's Notes

by Su Murdoch



Su Murdoch Editor, CHOnews

**M**ary Lou Evans, LACAC Advisor for the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation, will be returning to her post on April 29. Mary Lou survived the public service strike in France and just managed to miss the OPSEU strike in Ontario. Now she will have to find out who and what is left of MCZCR. To Daniel O'Brien, please accept the sincere appreciation of the heritage community in responding to our needs (and listening to our complaints) over the last six months.

I often consider Mary Lou as I compile each issue of **CHOnews**. I try to identify what, in her estimation, is important to individual LACAC members and what information is relevant across Ontario. My hope is to achieve a balance so as LACACs we can carry on with our own work and, as so aptly stated by Thomas J. Salter in his article, we can "stand on guard *with thee*." Have a terrific summer contemplating all we can achieve, in spite of the budget cuts! *Welcome back, Mary Lou!*

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**Board of Directors' meetings  
are open to any LACAC member  
at anytime.**

**Your comments and suggestions are always welcome!**



# President's Message

by Stephen Wohleber

I was going to write about the role of Heritage with regard to the construction industry (being labour intensive, environmentally friendly, creates less landfill, and no toxic dust clouds in our towns and cities from demolition work) but an important issue seems to be growing more prevalent as this year goes on.

Many LACACs are suffering from the obvious budget cuts, with some losing funding altogether. Others have been disbanded and few new LACACs are being established. It seems a grim picture, but a challenge nonetheless. It is extremely

important that we approach our municipal Councillors and Staff on a person to person basis in order to explain the importance of the Heritage Industry to the local economy. Tourism, construction, downtown improvements, business development, and increased property values leading to tax revenues are a few of the many benefits to be gained.

Also of critical importance is the passing of the *new* Heritage Act. We are in a no man's land of indecisiveness as the Province continues to dawdle on this important piece of legislation. The pro-

posed changes will create Municipal Heritage Advisory Committees to deal with all aspects of heritage within the community, not just its architecture. This will introduce a broad new range of opportunities. So we are going to have to ride it out, this storm of indifference, until, primarily through education, we can prove our role to both the Province and our municipalities in contributing to the sensitive and appropriate development of our communities.

We also must keep in mind that there are approximately two hundred LACACs of which about one hundred and twenty are paid members in CHO (and still coming in, thank you). There are, however, some eight hundred municipalities in Ontario, not including the unincorporated townships in northern Ontario. Heritage conservation needs to be a standard component of municipal government across this province. Only then, as a province, will we be able to realize and capitalise on this valuable resource we have all around us, mainly, our culture.

*I wish Queen's Park would get their act together and let go of the ball!*

## More Bad News

by Pamela Craig

As a result of the provincial government's cost saving measures, on April 11, 1996, MCZCR announced additional cuts to its heritage program funding. Reduced funding for the following programs does not necessarily mean that each and every grant will be reduced by that amount (i.e., across the board cuts). Staff members are working on a strategy to allocate the reduced funding as equitably as possible, taking into account the number and diversity of applicants to the programs.

❑ Funding for the Preserving Ontario's Architecture Designated Property Grant program was cut by 100%, in effect terminating the program. There will be no DPG program in 1996/97 or in future years.

❑ As announced in November 1995, funding for the Museum Operating Grant program will be reduced by 10% for fiscal year 1996/97. An additional 9% reduction applies to the 1997/98 fiscal year.

❑ As announced in November 1995, funding for the Heritage Support Grant program (i.e., operating funding for provincial heritage organizations) will be reduced by 40.5% for fiscal year 1996/97. An additional 11.9% reduction applies to the 1997/98 fiscal year.

❑ As announced in November 1995, funding for Historical Societies will be reduced by 25% for fiscal year 1996/97. An additional 26.3% reduction applies to the 1997/98 fiscal year.

In February 1996, as part of its restructuring exercise, MCZCR made several changes within the Cultural Programs Branch. The Museum and Heritage Organization Programs Unit combined with the Heritage Properties Program Unit to form the Heritage Properties and Museum Programs Unit. Ruth Freeman, former Manager of the Museum and Heritage Organization Programs Unit left the Ministry to become the head of volunteer services for the Art Gallery of Ontario. Pamela Craig now manages the combined Unit. Staff responsibilities remain essentially the same. More information on Heritage Properties can be obtained by calling 416-314-7137 and on Heritage Organizations at 416-314-7156.



56 Mill Street West, Elora  
by Art Murdoch



## CHO MISSION STATEMENT

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### A REMINDER!

**Plan to attend the  
CHO Annual General  
Meeting on Saturday,  
September 21, 1996  
at 10:00 a.m.**

**A notice will be sent  
to each LACAC  
confirming the location.**

## News from the CHO Board of Directors

### Annual General Meeting

The CHO Annual General Meeting will be on Saturday, September 21, 1996 at 10:00 a.m. in a location to be announced. This is your opportunity to share your ideas and comment on what directions the Board should take on your behalf. Your willingness to be involved as a Board and/or Committee volunteer will further the work of CHO. Please plan to attend. For information contact CHO Corporate Secretary, Richard Schofield, at 24 Conlins Road, Scarborough, M1C 1C3, 416-282-2710.

### The Honourable Sheila Copps

In February, CHO wrote to the Honourable Sheila Copps to congratulate her on her recent appointment as Minister of Canadian Heritage. An outline of the mandate of CHO as the Ontario-wide organization of municipally-appointed heritage advisory committees was provided. Included in the letter were copies of the provincial heritage policy resolutions passed at the Annual General Meeting held in London in May 1995. These are the resolutions on Taxes, Incentives and the Government Environment which request "that the provincial and federal tax structures, ministry and agency programmes, grants, regulations and the like be revised to eliminate the frequent anti-conservation

bias and introduce a positive incentive at every level." The second resolution deals with CHO's commitment "to working with those heritage organizations who are researching, educating, and advocating for an improved, positive government environment for community heritage conservation in Ontario and in Canada." The Minister was invited to comment.

### Provincial Policy Statement

At the request of MCZCR, CHO provided the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing with comments on the heritage policies contained in the proposed Provincial Policy Statement. Copies of CHO's comments are available from the Corporate Secretary. CHO further expressed its support for the amendments to the existing Ontario Heritage Act contained in Bill 20 as an immediate solution to some of the problems with the 1975 Act. At the same time, a request was made to proceed immediately with the introduction of effective new heritage legislation into the Legislature. The new Ontario Heritage Act is essential to the orderly and most constructive implementation of the heritage policy provisions of the Planning Act.

## A Postcard Project

by Bruce Beacock

The Township of Saugeen LACAC recently reproduced a circa 1909 postcard of a local general store and post office. The intent of this project is to increase the historic awareness of both local residents and visitors. Originally, our LACAC looked at producing calendars or posters of local buildings but we found that the per unit cost was too high. We then thought of full colour postcards. After finding the original card with a local collector, we felt that sepia would better match the original. Our local museum made a proof of the original and the proof for the back was produced using a word processor and a laser printer. A local printer produced 2,500 copies for just less than \$200.

We have been selling the postcards to retailers for twenty-five cents and they retail them for fifty cents. The response has been good and, if it continues, we are considering producing a new card each year. If anyone wishes a copy of the setup for the back of the postcard or further information, feel free to contact The Township of Saugeen LACAC at Box 249, Port Elgin, N0H 2C0, 519-353-5451.

*Bruce Beacock is the Vice-chairperson of The Township of Saugeen LACAC.*



The Township of Saugeen LACAC has reproduced a postcard of the Burgoyne General Store and Post Office, circa 1909. The General Store was built in 1872 by William Calbeck. The post office operated out of the store from 1881 until rural mail delivery began in 1913. The original postcard used for the reproduction is from the collection of Neil and Vera McCannel.



# What is the CHO Board?

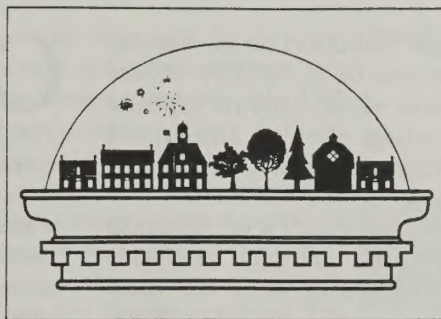
With the Annual General Meeting upcoming on September 21, now is the time to consider how you and your LACAC can assist the Board or a Committee in achieving its mandate. The following General Commissions were developed based on a Strategic Planning Session held on January 8, 1995. Each Commission is accompanied by a detailed list of Duties and Responsibilities that is available from the Corporate Secretary.

## CHO Mission Statement

To encourage the development of municipally appointed heritage advisory committees and to further the identification, preservation, interpretation, and wise use of community heritage locally, provincially, and nationally.

## Executive Committee

To exercise such powers as is authorized by the Board and shall act in place of the Board when the Board is not in session. To develop the policy positions of Community Heritage Ontario on issues affecting community heritage development in Ontario.



## Education Committee

To assist with the ongoing educational development of the membership and municipal councils in heritage matters. To assist municipalities and their LACACs and Heritage Advisory/ Management Committees in heritage matters.

## Communications/ Liaison Committee

To communicate with all levels of government on heritage matters including development of provincial policies and strategies. To communicate with and advise other heritage agencies, public organizations, professionals, and private businesses, regarding heritage properties

and issues. To encourage and develop partnerships.

## Finance/ Ways and Means Committee

To supervise the management of the financial affairs of the organization. To explore, develop, and secure new sources of funding.

## Nominating Committee

To compile and present names of persons to serve on the Board.

## Conference Committee

To organize and facilitate Provincial conferences for community appointed heritage advisory committees based on developing the policy positions of CHO on issues affecting community heritage development in Ontario.

## Bylaws Committee

To maintain and review the bylaws of the organization with membership input. To prepare and maintain the administrative policies and procedures' manual.



## Another Successful Workshop

by Maureen Wideman

Goderich, *Canada's prettiest town*, was the location of the March 30 CHO Workshop on Paint Conservation and Heritage Planning. Once again, the overwhelming success of these workshops was evident in the evaluations. The event was described as informative, well organized, and a good subject mix of technical and theoretical information.

The workshop was held at the magnificent Huron County Museum in the heart of historic Goderich. The pride of this community is evident in its preservation of so many heritage buildings and the dedication of its LACAC. The day began with the paint program presented by CHO President, Stephen Wohleber, and Benjamin Moore's Architectural Representative, Seema Pabari. The afternoon session featured presentations by heritage consultant, Robert

Shipley, and architect, John Rutledge. The Ontario government speakers were not available due to the OPSEU strike. LACAC members, Cindy Fisher and Paul Scholten, conducted lunchtime walking tours of the town. Lucinda Jerry featured a slide show of the postcards used for the LACAC's latest fundraiser, a book entitled, *Postcard Views of Goderich*.

The CHO workshops have proven to be valuable tools for learning about heritage conservation. Not only are the speakers expert in their field, but the workshops attract people from various backgrounds who come together to share their experiences. CHO is planning more workshops



**The Goderich Jail.** (From *Building with Wood* by John I. Rempel, University of Toronto Press, 1972)

for the future. Make arrangements to attend the one closest to you!

Maureen Wideman is the CHO Workshop Coordinator for the 1995-96 series.





Each year, The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario offers a nonprofit workshop on a technical aspect of architectural conservation for volunteer practitioners and front-line municipal employees. The 1996 workshop, *Documentation at Every Stage of a Heritage Conservation Project*, is to be held on Saturday, November 16, 1-6 pm at the Ontario Heritage Centre, 10 Adelaide Street East, Toronto.

*Documentation at Every Stage* will outline the steps to follow in a building conservation project from the initial visual survey to post project monitoring. It will explain terms such as "an as-found recording" or "conservation plan" and uncover some of the mysteries of historical

research. The instructors for the half-day session are Paul Dilse, Su Murdoch, and Denis Héroux whose collective expertise includes heritage planning, archival and historical research, and architectural conservation.

Registration includes a pre-workshop needs assessment, instruction, case study material, refreshments, and a take home study kit. Enrollment is limited to 15 students. The fee is \$74 payable to The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario.

In addition to the annual workshop, the ACO offers groups of fifteen to twenty a workshop on a topic of their own choosing. For information on these and *Documentation at Every Stage*, contact Paul Dilse, Consulting Heritage Manager, ACO, Suite 929, 85 Bleecker Street, Toronto, ON, M4X 1X1, 416-921-5324. Don't miss *Documentation at Every Stage*. Those who attended the 1995 workshop, *Using Ontario Legislation Effectively for Heritage Conservation*, gave us top marks!



## Heritage Act Amendments in Bill 20

Bill 20, the Land Use Planning and Protection Act, 1995 received Royal Assent on April 3, 1996. The primary focus of this Bill is to promote economic growth and protect the environment by streamlining the planning and development system. It contains a number of amendments to the Ontario Heritage Act (OHA) which should be noted by LACACs.

**Provision for Withdrawal of Objections and Elimination of Unnecessary Conservation Review Board Hearings:** Provision is made for the withdrawal of all types of objections (objection to a proposed designation, objection to the refusal of proposed alteration, etc.) and for the elimination of the related Conservation Review Board hearing which is made redundant by the withdrawal of the objection.

**Provision for Pre-Hearing Conferences:** A new section is added to the OHA providing for pre-hearing conferences, in some cases even by conference telephone, to be conducted by a member of the Conservation Review Board or other designated person, to settle any or all issues, thereby eliminating the need for a full hearing. Such conferences could also be used to clarify issues to ensure the just and most expeditious disposition of the hearing.

**Reduction in Number of Newspaper Notices Required:** The number of times that all types of notices (notices of intention to designate, notices of the passing of a designation bylaw, etc.) that municipalities are required by the OHA to publish in the newspaper are reduced from three to one.

**Elimination of Requirement for Minister to Consult with the Foundation before Granting or Renewing Archaeological Licenses:** Section 48 (3) of the OHA, which requires the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation to consult the Ontario Heritage Foundation before granting or renewing an archaeological licence, refusing to grant or renew a licence, or suspending or revoking a licence, would be repealed, thereby streamlining the process.

On January 16, 1996, the Greater Toronto Area Task Force chaired by Dr. Anne Golden released its GTA Task Force Report containing fifty-one recommendations for the area covered by the five existing regional governments of Halton, Peel, Metro Toronto, York, and Durham. Included in the Report is a recommendation to dissolve the five regional governments and replace them with a Greater Toronto Council (GTC). Changes to the property tax system are also being proposed.

Although there are twenty-eight LACACs located within the affected area, heritage conservation is mentioned specifically in only one of the recommendations. Recommendation 34 states in part: "Area (i.e., local) municipalities should assume responsibility for delivering a range of functions ... including ... promotion of local arts and culture, management of libraries, and protection of heritage buildings." Regional planning and the management of regional assets such as Exhibition Place and the Halton Museum would, under Recommendation 46, go to the GTC.

LACACs affected by this Report may wish to review and comment on these and other recommendations with respect to the impact on heritage in their municipality. Written comments should be sent to the GTA Panel, Office for the Greater Toronto Area, Suite 300, 10 Bay Street, Toronto, ON, M5J 2R8, fax 416-314-6440. Copies of the GTA Task Force Report may be purchased for \$25 plus tax at Publications Ontario, 880 Bay Street, Toronto, 1-800-668-9938.

*Marcia Cuthbert is the Special Projects Officer for the Toronto Historical Board and a Vice-president of the CHO Board.*





# We Stand on Guard for Thee

by Thomas J. Salter

*The coming months and years will be a test for every Canadian who has sung our National Anthem and meant it!*

Historically, there have only been a few occasions when anyone had to literally *stand on guard* in and for Canada and each time was before Canada came to be. One important time was the War of 1812. In response to British aggression against the Americans during the Napoleonic wars between Britain and France, the United States Congress declared war against Britain on June 18, 1812. This war was fought primarily in the waters of the lower Great Lakes. Land battles were engaged only on a few hundred acres and included the battle cries and musket fire that rang out at Fort Erie, Chippewa, Lundy's Lane, Queenston Heights, Beaverdams, and Stoney Creek, to name a few.

The Battle of Lundy's Lane on July 25, 1814, was one of the fiercest and bloodiest of this essentially two-year war. The US forces under General Winfield Scott and General Jacob J. Brown unexpectedly encountered a British force at the head of Lundy's Lane. The bitter battle continued into the next day with the American troops refusing to retreat although they were outnumbered three to two and both generals were wounded. Each side claimed victory, but the Americans finally withdrew to their former position at Fort Erie. Casualties were heavy on both sides.

Over time, acre by acre, the Lundy's Lane battle site has been transformed to become one of the main arteries of the City of Niagara Falls. The City recently avoided an Ontario Municipal Board hearing and purchased another few acres of the battlefield in the vicinity of Lundy's Lane and Drummond Road. The Lundy's Lane cemetery lies adjacent to this part of the battlefield site and contains the remains of Laura Secord, an outstanding *guard* for Canada during the War of 1812.

Fortunately, the battle to preserve this significant site is nearing its end. Under a forty-year private assembly commitment of Ruth Redmond, the 3.1 acre battle site, atop a hill, just off Lundy's Lane and Drummond Road has been assembled. Negotiating the terms of a heritage conservation easement with the City of Niagara Falls has been an ongoing battle. Recently, however, historian Robert Foley, advised that the negotiations are nearing completion. Ms Redmond has undertaken to deed the site to the City at no cost to the taxpayers.

Many advocate the importance of heritage to our communities; few of us become invested stewards. Ms Redmond is a notable exception and should receive a Canadian Heritage Award of Merit for *standing on guard* for Canadians – past,



Lundy's Lane battlefield illustration by George Balbar, St. Catharines

present, and future. We salute Ms Redmond, *The Friends of Lundy's Lane Battlefield*, writer, Robert Foley, and graphic artist, George Balbar. Each has contributed enormously to ensure that the memory and importance of a few precious acres of Canada are not lost for all time. Ms Redmond, The Niagara Parks Commission, and the Corporation of the City of Niagara Falls have ensured that part of Canada's war heritage will be preserved.

To all of the volunteers in heritage, we, the Niagara Regional LACAC Association stands on guard with thee!

*Thomas J. Salter is the Chairperson of the Niagara Regional LACAC Association.*

## The Niagara Regional LACAC

by Thomas J. Salter

The Niagara Regional LACAC Association was formed in 1988 and has eleven LACACs within a region of twelve municipalities. The following highlights a few of the achievements of the Association in 1995.

**Regional Heritage Policy:** Our questionnaire and report finally caught the attention of the group from the Ontario Editorial Bureau, which includes the Niagara Parks Commission, Welland Canals Foundation, Visions Niagara, Mona, and NRDC/Tourism. We were invited to take part in their meetings and pursue the matter of a Regional Heritage Policy with them. Many ideas came out of this group, which started with the possibil-



ity of a Heritage Forum and has now advanced to become part of the *Niagara Strategy* which is an economic study underway for the region.

**Orientation Kit:** A kit has been prepared consisting of our brochure, constitution, logo information, report on accom-

plishments to date, Heritage Tour brochure, and the proceedings of our 1992 *Conservations* Workshop. This kit was mailed to all municipalities in the Region.

**Plaquing:** We undertook the designation of the Catherine Rice home in Pelham, which is a municipality that does not presently have a LACAC. The owner undertook to pay the necessary advertising costs and did the research herself. The plaque was unveiled at an excellent event hosted jointly by Mrs. Rice and the Association.

**Tours:** Our second annual tour was held in Welland with some interesting public and private buildings and sites on view.



**Properties:** Written support was given Wainfleet in their efforts with the Rathfon Inn property. The construction of the Hugh Cole property, including some artifacts and parts of Grey Gables, is almost complete.

**Fort Erie LACAC:** The Chairman and Secretary of the Association attended an organisational meeting for a Fort Erie LACAC, with representatives of the Fort Erie Council, Staff, and heritage community in attendance.

**Volunteer Awards:** The first five-year awards were presented to three members in 1994 and one in 1995.

**Lundy's Lane:** Support was provided to the Friends of the Battle of Lundy's Lane who are attempting to preserve the Lundy's Lane battlefield site and the adjacent cemetery which is the resting place of Laura Secord.

**Kitchener Workshop:** Chris Green, Director of England's heritage was the keynote speaker at the *Beyond Survival* Workshop. A day in Niagara was arranged for Green to inspect the Welland Canal, Chippewa battle sites, the Falls, Inniskillin, and Niagara-on-the-Lake.

**Niagara Story:** A letter of support was sent to the St. Catharines' *Standard* in recognition of the Foley/ Balbar Niagara series which appears weekly.

*Thomas J. Salter is the Chairperson of the Niagara Regional LACAC Association.*



## Welcome Aboard!

*Community Heritage Ontario* is pleased to welcome the members and Councils of two newly established LACACs, *Springwater Township* and *Fort Erie*.

The mandate of CHO is to provide guidance, training, and information for your efforts in preserving the heritage of your communities for future generations.

Please use **CHOnews** as your sounding board to let other LACACs know what you are doing. We join in welcoming you to Ontario's LACAC community.

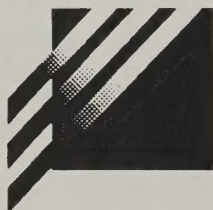


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## COMING EVENTS

### **May 18-19 Apple Blossom Festival**

The Colborne-Cramahe Apple Blossom Tyme Festival will be on the Victoria Day weekend, Saturday & Sunday, 11 a.m.- 4 p.m. The LACAC will be selling Vintage Postcards and hosting a fundraising cookout, two walking tours of the village, and a child's old-fashioned games event in the recently designated Victoria Square. Contact 905-355-1804.

### **June 2-5 Planning for Success Conference**

The Canadian Institute of Planners' 1996 National Conference will be on June 2-5 at the Radisson Hotel, Saskatoon. Contact CIP National Office, 2nd Floor, 541 Sussex Dr, Ottawa, K1N 6Z6, 1-800-207-2138 or 613-562-4646/fax 613-562-4648, E-mail: chelm@magi.com.

### **August 11-14 Planning on the Rocks Conference**

The Ontario Professional Planning Institute conference *Planning on the Rocks: Crisis or Opportunity?* will be in Sudbury, Aug. 11-14. Contact Carolyn Hart, c/o Heather Robertson, Ministry of Northern Development and Mines, Willet Green Miller Centre, 6th Floor, 933 Ramsey Lake Road, Sudbury, P3E 6B5, 705-670-5942/ fax 705-760-5881.

### **September 11-14 AASLH**

The American Association for State and Local History annual meeting will be in Nashville, Tennessee, Sept 11-14. Contact AASLH Office, Suite 600, 530 Church St., Nashville, TN, USA 37219-2325, 615-255-2971/ fax 615-255-2979.

### **September 21 CHO Annual Meeting**

Community Heritage Ontario's Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, September 21 at 10 a.m. in a location to be announced. Contact Richard Schofield, CHO Corporate Secretary, 24 Conlins Road, Scarborough, ON, M1C 1C3, 416-282-2710.

### **September 26-29 APT Conference**

The Association for Preservation Technology International conference *APT 96: Building Ideas* will be at the Hotel Fort Garry, Winnipeg, Sept 26-29. Contact APT 96, Box 27054, Winnipeg, R3C 4T3, 204-983-4718/ fax 204-983-5365, E-mail: susanalgie@pch.gc.ca.

### **October 24-26 OMA Conference**

The Ontario Museum Association conference *Living on the Edge* will be at the Cleary Centre, Windsor, Oct. 24-26. Contact OMA, George Brown House, 50 Baldwin St., Toronto, M5T 1L4, 416-348-8672/ fax 416-348-0438, Internet canoma@immedia.ca.

### **October 25-27 Archaeology Symposium**

The Ontario Archaeological Society Annual Symposium will be in Kingston October 25-27. Abstracts of one hundred words on conference topics can be sent by May 3 to Jean-Luc Pilon, c/o Archaeological Survey of Canada, Cdn Museum of Civilization, CP 3100, Succ. B, Hull J8X 4H2, 819-776-8192/ fax 819-776-8300, E-mail: jean-luc.pilon@cmcc.muse.digital.ca.

### **November 16 ACO Documentation Workshop**

The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario technical workshop *Documentation at Every Stage of a Heritage Conservation Project* will be on Saturday, Nov 16, 1-6 at the Ontario Heritage Centre, 10 Adelaide St., E, Toronto. Contact Paul Dilse, Consulting Heritage Manager, ACO, Suite 929, 85 Bleecker St., Toronto, M4X 1X1, 416-921-5324. Registration is limited.



# Take Your Best Shot

by Dr. Bradley Rudachyk

Over the Canada Day weekend last July, Heritage Barrie invited local citizens to take part in Barrie's first community photofest. Called, *Take Your Best Shot*, the goal was to heighten heritage awareness through active community participation. To this end, Heritage Barrie gave away fifty rolls of twelve-exposure 35mm colour film during its annual Historic Downtown Barrie display. Japan Camera in Barrie's Kozlov Centre donated the film. Participants were asked to photograph those things in Barrie that they feel are important or significant. They were assured that the program was not a contest and that there were no judges and no prizes to be awarded. The exposed film was to be returned to Japan Camera by the end of July. Heritage Barrie covered the cost of processing and two sets of prints. Japan Camera ensured that those taking part received one set, while retaining the other as well as the negatives for Heritage Barrie. It was made very clear that the negatives would remain the property of Heritage Barrie.

Posters and press releases were prepared by the Committee. Overall, the media proved very receptive to the idea and responded with both print and radio coverage. A registration form was

designed to facilitate the program and assist in the creation of a client database for future use. All told, Heritage Barrie distributed forty-three rolls of film and received prints and negatives for 273 photographs. Buildings comprised 53.1% of subjects with parks accounting for 34.8%. Of the 145 photographs of buildings, 97.2% were of heritage interest. Many of these photographs were incorporated into five professionally-designed display boards that were unveiled before City Council during Heritage Week. Council showed great interest. The display has been generally well received and will play an ongoing role in future Heritage Barrie programming.

*Take Your Best Shot* was neither expensive nor difficult to run. It succeeded in actively involving citizens, as well as developing a new corporate partner. Participants told Heritage Barrie what was important to them. In taking their best shot, they showed that the citizens of Barrie are keenly aware of their built heritage. At the same time, they demonstrated the great value that they place on their parks and especially their waterfront. Armed with this information, the Committee is currently developing a heritage waterfront walking tour which should

be available early this summer. Those involved with *Take Your Best Shot* have expressed their satisfaction with the program. Heritage Barrie is pleased to recommend it to other LACACs. For more information, contact Heritage Barrie at Box 400, Barrie, ON, L4M 4T5 or 705-726-4242, ext. 4486 or fax 705-726-8501.

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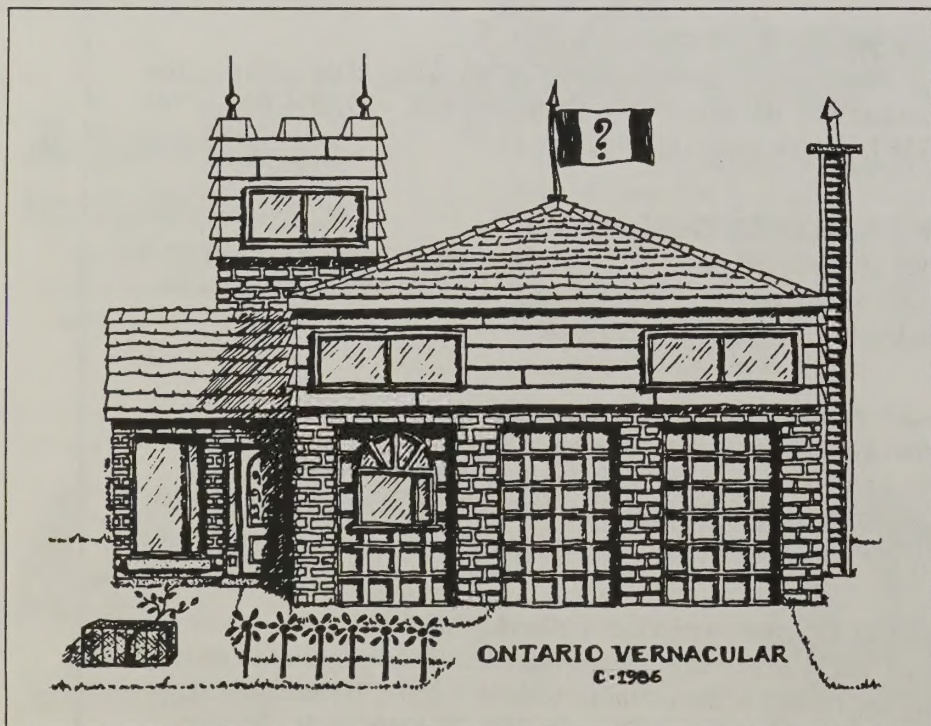
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## NOTICE OF MEETING

### Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

Monday, 1996 July 15

12 o'clock noon

Room 233, City Hall

*Inn Gillespie for*

Charlene Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee

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- b) Heritage Community Recognition Program - nomination of Rob Brough

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  - ii. Update on renovations (*Spectator* article, 1996 June 25)





- b) Stinson Street School - proposal to repair/ replace slate roofing
- c) Hamilton Society of Architects, Sesquicentennial Design Celebration, 1996 June 21-22
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- e) Custom House/ Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre (*Spectator* article, 1996 June 20)
- f) Victoria Hall - heritage recording by Parks Canada (letter from Public Works and Government Services Canada, 1996 June 12))
- g) St. Paul's Presbyterian Church - approval of Technical Consulting Service (letter from Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation, 1996 July 3)
- h) Dundurn Castle Stable Building - renovations for conference centre (letter from Ontario Heritage Foundation re: easement, 1996 June 10)
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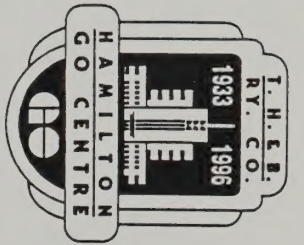
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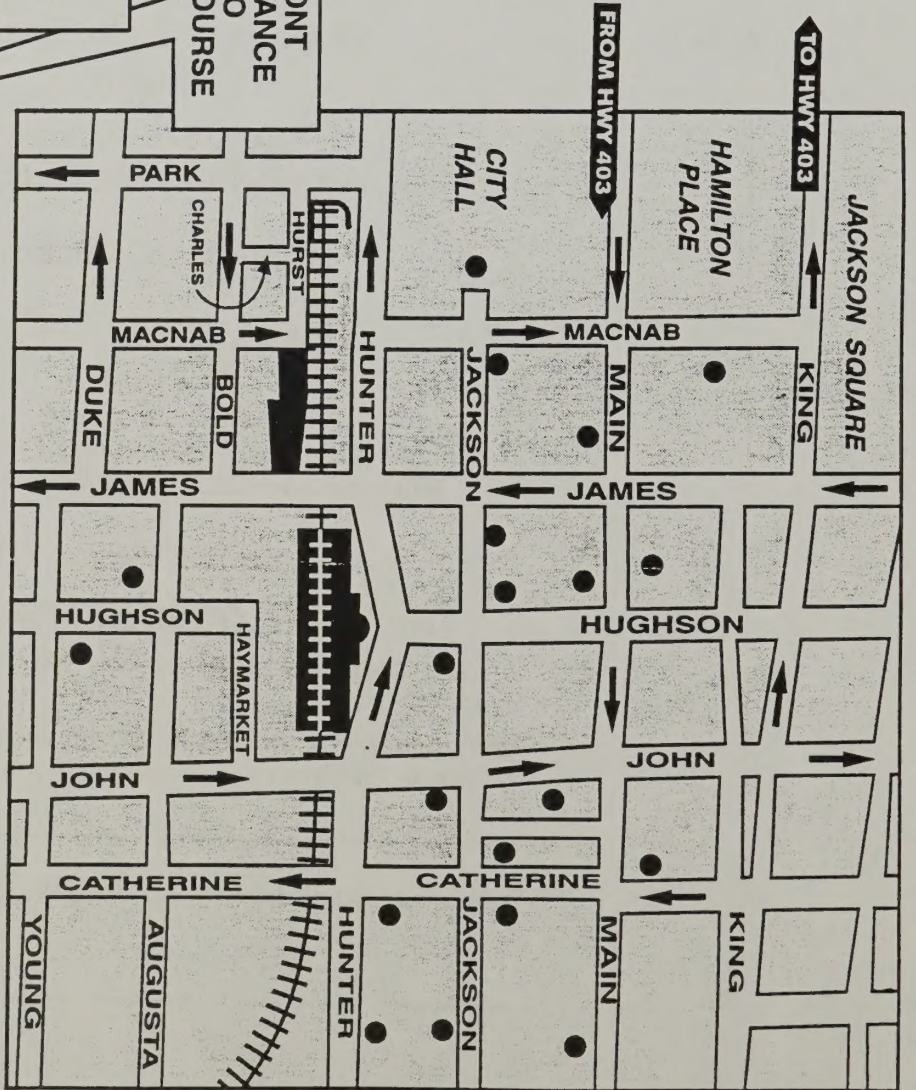
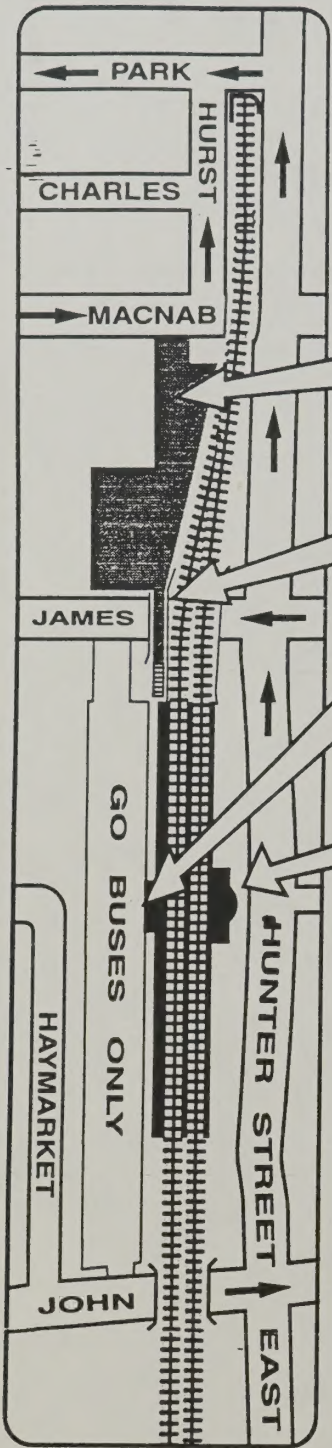
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The construction was not without complications. "We ran into a few surprises," says GO's Director of Engineering and Marketing, Bob Boyle, "which is not unusual in heritage renovation projects." For example, when the building's exterior wall was removed, contractors discovered that the backing wall behind it would have to be completely replaced. The project was well under way when budget constraints put other transit expansions on hold last summer.

When the building restoration is fully finished this June, it will also offer retail outlets and a bus parcel express service. The seven-storey building has four floors of prime downtown office space for lease by GO.

In the meantime, the new GO centre is open for business. Coffee and doughnuts greeted its first GO Train and GO Bus passengers on Monday morning, April 29. The station opened for bus service two days earlier.

# Introduction

## Chapter 1: The Basics

The first chapter introduces the basic concepts of the course. It covers the history of the field, the major theories, and the current state of research.

The second chapter discusses the methods used in the field. It covers both qualitative and quantitative approaches, and the ethical considerations that must be taken into account.

The third chapter explores the relationship between the field and other disciplines. It discusses how the field has been influenced by psychology, sociology, and biology, and how it has contributed to these fields.

The fourth chapter examines the role of the field in society. It discusses the impact of the field on public policy, the media, and the general public.

The fifth chapter discusses the future of the field. It explores the challenges that the field faces, and the opportunities that are available for future research.

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Monday, 1996 June 10  
12:00 o'clock noon  
6th Floor Board Room  
Hamilton GO Centre

**The Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee met.**

**There were present:** Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Reg Wheeler, Vice-Chairperson  
Alderman William McCulloch  
Brian Henley  
Jane Rigby  
John Mokrycke  
Rob Hamilton  
Jeffrey Steadman

**Regrets:** Alderman Frank D'Amico  
Rob Brough

**Also present:** Nina Chapple, Planning Department  
Ann Gillespie, Planning Department  
Joy Dubbeld, Planning Department  
Anton Gudinkas, Durand Neighbourhood Association  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary

**1. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS**

**a) Hamilton Society of Architects - Sesquicentennial Design Awards**

Diane Dent, Chairperson, advised Committee Members that on 1996 May 30, she sat as a member of the jury panel to review the submission for the Hamilton Society of Architects' Sesquicentennial Design Awards. Award recipients will be announced at the Hamilton Society of Architects' Downtown Charette on 1996 June 22.

**b) Order of da Vinci Lifetime Achievement Award presented to Tony Butler**

Committee Members were advised that Research Sub-Committee Member Tony Butler was recently presented with the Order of da Vinci Lifetime Achievement Award by the Ontario Association of Architects in recognition of his contributions to the Association and his role in the Association's fight to save the School of Architecture at the University of Toronto. The Committee agreed to send a letter of congratulations to Tony Butler in this regard.

**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The Committee was in receipt of the Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1996 May 13. These Minutes were adopted as circulated.

**3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**a) St. Thomas Anglican Church**

Jane Rigby advised Committee Members that the designated St. Thomas Anglican Church is up for sale. Committee Members were reminded that a letter has already been sent to the Anglican Diocese expressing the Committee's concerns that the designated features, including the windows, be retained and a letter from the Diocese was subsequently received indicating that at the present time, they have no intention of destroying any of the heritage aspects of the building.

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Diane Dent indicated that she would try to get additional information on the status of the interior features, including the military flags and plaques, and report back at the next meeting.

**b) List of Vacant Heritage Buildings in Hamilton's Downtown Core**

As indicated in the last set of Minutes, a local investor has requested a list of vacant buildings available for purchase in the City's downtown core. Staff indicated that they have compiled a list of vacant heritage buildings (commercial and others), a copy of which was circulated for the Committee's information, but that they do not have access to information on other buildings that may be for sale in the downtown core. The Committee approved the following:

That the Property Department be requested to provide the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee with a list of buildings in the downtown core (on King Street between James and Wellington Streets) that are currently for sale.

**c) Bus Shelters in Gore Park**

The Committee received for information, a memorandum dated 1996 May 29 from the Secretary of the Parks and Recreation Committee to the Gore Park Review Team advising that the issue of the bus shelters in Gore Park has been tabled until such time as the Gore Park fountain has been installed.

**d) Cityview: Hamilton's Plan for Tomorrow - Comments for new Official Plan**

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 May 31 from the Chairperson, Research Sub-Committee, respecting the above-noted matter.

The Committee expressed the need for a long term comprehensive heritage plan/review in the City of Hamilton and agreed to add this to the list of suggested comments that would be forwarded to the Director, Planning and Development Department.

The Committee approved the following as amended:

That LACAC adopt the following comments on Cityview, as prepared by the Research Sub-committee, and forward these comments to the Planning and Development Department for consideration in the revised Official Plan:

- a) That the City should take a greater interest in the local architectural and natural heritage by encouraging more designations of individual buildings under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act and more district designations under Part V of the Ontario Heritage Act;
- b) That the City, given the recent loss of provincial funding for heritage buildings, introduce new ways to encourage and ensure the survival of the City's most important heritage by providing new incentives such as:
  - (i) heritage grant programs for designated buildings; and,
  - (ii) deferral of tax increases resulting from improvements to a designated building;
  - (iii) expanding the uses for designated buildings; and,



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- (iv) waiving certain zoning requirements, such as parking, loading, etc.
- c) That the City develop a new means of identifying and promoting the heritage character of older neighbourhoods by adopting heritage zones, which would indicate the long-term goal of an area without imposing the regulations of the Ontario Heritage Act;
- d) That the City provide leadership in the conservation of significant heritage buildings by:
  - (i) establishing a Municipal Heritage Policy which would include policies re: both City-owned buildings and privately-owned buildings which are of highest importance to the City; and,
  - (ii) introducing a Heritage Impact Assessment requirement when new large-scaled redevelopment proposals affect heritage buildings or districts.
- e) That the City undertake a long term comprehensive heritage plan/review.

Diane Dent advised Committee Members that Jane Rigby is now the Chairperson of the Research Sub-Committee replacing Rob Brough who has relocated to Toronto. Jane Rigby and the Research Sub-Committee were thanked for all of their hard work on this and other matters.

**e) Hamilton Society of Architects - Downtown Charette**

Information on the Hamilton Society of Architects' Downtown Charette to be held at the Right House on 1996 June 21-22 was circulated.

John Mokrycke provided an overview of the Charette, the purpose of which will be to bring about a revitalization plan for the City's downtown core. Members of the Committee were encouraged to attend.

Diane Dent, Chairperson, suggested that John Mokrycke forward a copy of the Charette's participants to all Members of Council for their information.

**4. DIRECTOR, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

**a) Hamilton Courthouse Project - Heritage Permit Application for Alterations/Additions to Dominion Public Building**

The Committee was advised that the Research Sub-Committee has met to review the plans for the Hamilton Courthouse Project and still have some concerns respecting the treatment of the glazed wall and the philatelic opening on the main floor level. Questions were raised on whether or not material from the proposed opening would be retained and reused.

Rob Hamilton suggested that Staff investigate whether or not any of the other new Courthouses have computer centres to determine the frequency of their use, etc. Nina Chapple agreed to contact Reg Watkins, Ontario Realty Corporation, in this regard.

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It was agreed that the representatives from the Hamilton Courthouse Project be invited to attend a special meeting to discuss the two unresolved issues before the Committee recommends a Heritage Permit for these alterations.

**b) Heritage Permit Application - Removal of Aviary Cages at Dundurn Castle**

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 May 31 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Committee approved the following:

That a Heritage Permit be approved to remove the existing aviary cages formerly attached to Dundurn Castle.

**c) Heritage Permit Application - Dundurn Castle Stable Building - Revised Proposal for Ventilation and Kitchen Exhaust for Conference Centre Conversion**

The Committee was in receipt of an added report dated 1996 May 31 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

The Committee was advised that a revised proposal for the ventilation and kitchen exhaust for the Stable Building has been prepared to allow for the ducting to be directed out of an existing window opening, a less intrusive option to the existing heritage structure. After some discussion, the Committee approved the following:

- a) That Section 5 of the NINTH Report of the Planning and Development Committee for 1996 as adopted by City Council on 1996 May 28 respecting a Heritage Permit for the Dundurn Castle Stable Building be rescinded in its entirety; and,
- b) That the fence around the ventilation and exhaust system be high enough to camouflage the unit from the road and for safety reasons, and that the revised plans for the Stable Building be amended accordingly; and,
- c) That a Heritage Permit be approved for the revised proposal for the ventilation and kitchen exhaust required for the conversion of the Dundurn Castle Stable Building to a Conference Centre as shown on the drawings attached hereto and marked as Appendix "A".

**d) MacNab/Charles Heritage Conservation District - Streetscaping Improvements**

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 June 7 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department, presented two site plans for the Committee's consideration. The Committee and Anton Gudinskas, representative from the Durand Neighbourhood Association, supported Site Plan "A" as presented. The Committee approved the following:

That the Planning and Development Committee be advised of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee's strong support for the proposed MacNab South pedestrian underpass improvements as detailed on the drawings attached hereto and marked as Appendix "B" as well as the other public improvements (buried wires, historic streetlights and street and



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sidewalk reconstruction) scheduled this summer for the MacNab/Charles Heritage Conservation District (MacNab Street South, Hurst Place, Charles Street and Bold Street).

e) **Heritage Community Recognition Program - Nomination of Rob Brough**

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 May 31 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Committee approved the following:

That the City nominate Rob Brough for the Ontario Heritage Foundation's Heritage Community Recognition Program which honours individuals who are making lasting and significant contributions to heritage conservation.

f) **Heritage Inventory Plaque - Rose Arden - Home of Robert Smiley**

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 June 7 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Committee approved the following:

That the request of The Spectator newspaper to purchase a City of Hamilton Heritage Inventory Plaque for Rose Arden, the home of its founder Robert Smiley, be approved.

5. **UPDATES**

a) **Custom House/Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre**

Committee Members were advised that Marilyn Miller, Conservation Officer, Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation, still has some concerns that the closing up and covering over of the four basement windows is not reversible.

Staff indicated that a new cost estimate in the amount of \$3,000 has been received to restore the windows, however, the Committee was unclear as to whether or not this estimate was contingent on funding from the Heritage Hamilton Foundation. Staff agreed to investigate further and report back at the next meeting.

Jane Rigby added that the Committee should be on record as supporting the retention of all four window wells on the front (north) facade given this new information from the Ministry.

b) **Lister Block - Conservation Review Board Hearing**

No new information was presented at this time.

c) **Victoria Hall/MacKay Building**

Alderman McCulloch advised Committee Members that the City is still waiting for the owner of the building to make an offer to sell the building at a fair market value and will report back when any new information is received.

d) **St. Mark's Centre**

Alderman McCulloch reported that the washroom facilities at the St. Mark's Centre need to be upgraded before the building can be used.

6. **COMMITTEE/SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Committee received the following for information purposes:

- a) Hamilton Historical Board Minutes for its meetings held 1996 March 12 and April 9; and,
- b) Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee Minutes for its meeting held 1996 April 15.

7. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

The following Information Items as circulated with the agenda were received:

- a) Glen Manor, the Veevers House - Sheridan Showcase House '96: "Imagination and Ingenuity", *The Spectator*, 1996 May 17
- b) Pigott/Sun Life Buildings - new condominium complex: "36 James South" "Bringing life to the core", *The Spectator*, 1996 May 22
- c) Gore Park Fountain: "Delta spouter used Gore Park dish", *The Spectator*, 1996 May 21
- d) Downtown revitalization: "New life for ailing core", *The Spectator*, 1996 May 23; "Hopeful ideas for downtown", Editorial, *The Spectator*, 1996 May 25
- e) Bill 20 (1996): Amendments to the Ontario Heritage Act, letter from Minister of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation (1996 May 13) with brief description of changes
- f) Various Notices of Public Meetings - Planning and Development Committee
- g) CHO News - 1996 May

8. **OTHER BUSINESS**

a) **James Mountain Road Project**

Anton Gudinskas, Durand Neighbourhood Association, advised Committee Members that a new concrete wall will be erected as part of the James Mountain Road project and added that he has received verbal assurances that if the existing wall collapses that it will be rebuilt.

b) **Bellevue**

Questions were raised on the status of Bellevue. Committee Members indicated that the building and its grounds are in a poor state of repair and Staff were asked to visit the site and report back at the next meeting.



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9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

**Taken as read and approved,**

**Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee**

**Charlene Touzel, Secretary**

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO  
DIVISION OF THE PHYSICAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS  
530 SOUTH EAST ASIAN AVENUE

TO THE EDITOR:  
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cc Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department





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## CITY OF HAMILTON

### - INFORMATION -

**DATE:** 1996 July 5

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Heritage Community Recognition Program

LACAC's recommendation to nominate Rob Brough for the Ontario Heritage Foundation's Heritage Community Recognition Program was approved by City Council, 1996 June 25. The attached nomination form was subsequently submitted to meet the June 30 deadline.

The Heritage Community Recognition Program is intended to honour individuals for outstanding contributions and commitments to heritage conservation in the fields of built, natural and cultural heritage. Every municipality can make one nomination each year.

# HERITAGE COMMUNITY RECOGNITION PROGRAM

## Nomination Form

Nominator: Council of the Corporation of the City of Hamilton  
71 Main Street West, Hamilton, Ontario L8N 3T4

Contact: Ann Gillespie, Heritage Planner, City of Hamilton Planning Department  
(905) 546-3934 FAX (905) 546-4202

Nominee: Robert Brough, B.Arch., OAA, MRAIC  
410-100 Gloucester Street  
Toronto, Ontario M4Y 1M1

Description of activity nominated as worthy of recognition/ benefits to local community:

Robert Brough is being nominated for his outstanding commitment and contribution to the conservation of Hamilton's built heritage resources through his dedicated, long-term volunteer service as a member of LACAC since 1981 and chair of its Research Sub-committee from 1985 to 1996. As a Hamiltonian and practising architect with a keen interest in and professional experience working with historic buildings, Rob has brought valuable expertise and insight to his role as a LACAC member (as recognized by all of his fellow members and Heritage Planning staff).

In his role as chairman of the Research Sub-committee, Rob demonstrated exemplary mediation skills in resolving difficult design/conservation issues related to *designated* heritage structures and major renovation/restoration projects, such as the Hamilton Region Indian Centre (involving a large addition to house within a *heritage conservation district*) and the Hamilton GO Centre (rehabilitation of former T.H. & B. Railway Station).

### Biographical background:

- born and raised in Hamilton
- graduated from the School of Architecture at the University of Toronto with a Bachelor of Architecture in 1979
- attended the Centre for Conservation Studies, Institute of Advanced Architectural Studies, University of York, York, England, 1985
- practising architect since the early 1980s; senior staff member of the firm, Anthony Butler Architect Inc., Hamilton (1983-1995), acting as chief designer and most recently an associate
- worked on numerous renovation and restoration projects as well as condition and feasibility studies for historic buildings and sites, including the following: Old City Hall, Galt; Chedoke House, Hamilton; Central Presbyterian Church, Cambridge; Wentworth Heritage Village, Rockton)
- current position: project manager, City of Scarborough Department of Public Works

NOTE: Rob has taken a temporary leave of absence from LACAC since accepting his current position.

Signature: *A. B. Hallouche*  
ACTING CITY CLERK

Date: *June 27, 1996*



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# **CITY OF HAMILTON**

## **- RECOMMENDATION -**

**DATE:** 1996 July 5

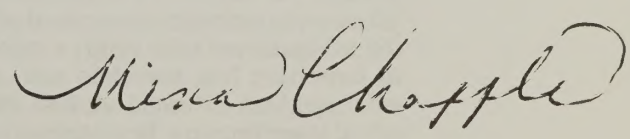
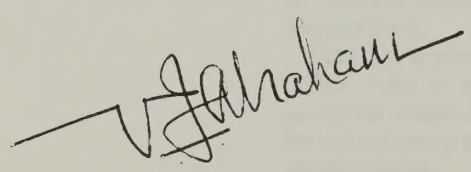
**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Hamilton Courthouse - Heritage Permit application for new additions, exterior and interior alterations to Dominion Public Building

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the authority to make a recommendation to the Planning and Development Committee regarding the Heritage Permit required for the Hamilton Courthouse project be delegated to the Research Sub-committee.



**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:** N/A

### **BACKGROUND:**

1. Any alterations or additions to a building designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act require Council approval through the Heritage Permit process. In the case of the former Dominion Public Building, this includes the east (front), north and south facades, the entrance, postal and elevator lobby areas and main stairwell.
2. At the last LACAC meeting held 1996 June 10, it was agreed that representatives from the Hamilton Courthouse project be invited to attend a special meeting to discuss unresolved issues before LACAC makes its final recommendation with respect to the Heritage Permit.

3. At the special LACAC meeting held 1996 June 25 (attended by project architects Jack Lemay and James Smith from Norr Partnership Ltd., project manager Mark Krapez, Ontario Realty Corporation, LACAC and Research Sub-committee members, and Heritage Planning staff) unresolved issues involving certain proposed alterations to the postal lobby were further discussed. At the conclusion of this meeting, Jack Lemay agreed to approach the computer users group regarding the feasibility of installing computers behind the wickets (rather than installing them in the alcove where the philatelic centre was located) and to investigate the possibility of filling in the philatelic opening with the marble to be removed to create the corridor opening linking the existing postal lobby with the new waiting area.
4. As LACAC does not meet in August, a recommendation could be forwarded from the Research Sub-committee directly to the Planning and Development Committee.



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JUSTICE

# Crime victim program boosted

*SPECTATOR 25 June 96*  
Minister also  
confirms new  
courthouse

By DENISE DAVY  
The Spectator

A victim-witness program received a \$40,000 funding boost from the provincial government yesterday that will allow it to provide more services to its mostly women clients.

Attorney General Charles Harnick announced the funding in the lobby of the Ontario courthouse (general division) on Main Street East while also quashing rumours that the new courthouse across the street on John Street would not be completed.

Mr. Harnick said the new \$55-million facility will open as expected in the fall of 1998 and will consolidate five courts in Hamilton.

Funding to convert the city's old post office into a courthouse was announced under the NDP government, but there were rumours it would not be completed.

"I think that Hamilton will have facilities that will be the envy of most places in this country," Mr. Harnick said.

Denyse Rodger, director of the Victim-Witness Assistance Program, was pleased with the announcement, saying it will mean the program can help more people.

The program was set up 10 years ago and helps more than 1,000 people a year, 90 per cent of them women. Most have been victims of wife assault, child abuse or sexual assault.

The funding boost, which represents about 30 per cent of the current budget, will allow the program to hire another staff person, said Ms Rodger.

The Hamilton program is one of 13 in the province, and there are plans to double the number of sites over the next two years, said Mr. Harnick, who



Ontario Attorney-General  
Charles Harnick says new court  
will open in fall of 1998.

Barry Gray, The Spectator

also announced the new court facility will house the Victim-Witness Assistance Program, which is currently located in a small office inside the Ontario court (provincial division).

Burlington's Priscilla de Villiers, who became an outspoken advocate for victim's rights after her daughter, Nina, was abducted and murdered in 1991, said she hopes the funding marks the beginning of a commitment by the government to the suffering of victims.

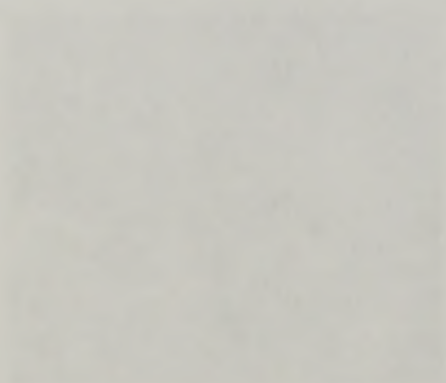
"This is obviously a drop in the ocean because we're many, many, many years behind in terms of this kind of infrastructure, but it's still a significant announcement," said Mrs. de Villiers, who attended the event.

Mr. Harnick also announced the creation of a Victims Notification Service to let victims of crime know when the offender involved in their case is released temporarily or permanently from the corrections system. The service will be the first of its kind in Canada.

Another initiative will be established to support community-based victims' services. Money for the programs will come out of a Victims' Justice Fund which will be funded by surcharges levied by the courts against offenders.

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# Journal of the American Medical Association



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## CITY OF HAMILTON

### - INFORMATION -

**DATE:** 1996 July 5

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Stinson Street School - proposed repair and/or replacement of original slate roofing

Stinson Street School is designated under the Ontario Heritage Act. Any alterations or additions therefore require Council approval through the Heritage Permit process.

This proposal will be reviewed at the next Research Sub-committee meeting on July 10th and a recommendation made to LACAC.

Attached is a letter from the Board of Education outlining the scope of work and three options for the repair and/ or replacement of the slate roofing; also attached are photographs showing the existing roofing on the two buildings.

**The Board of Education for the City of Hamilton**  
**Le Conseil de l'éducation de la ville de Hamilton**

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Hamilton, Ontario  
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Mrs. Nina Chapple  
Heritage Planning Group  
Planning & Development Department  
City Hall  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L8N 3T4

**RECEIVED**  
**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT**

**JUL 3 1996**

Re: Request for Heritage Permit for Alterations to a Building  
Designated under the Ontario Heritage Act

Project: Reroofing of Stinson Street School (180 Grant Avenue) - Summer 1996  
The Board of Education for the City of Hamilton (HBE)

Dear Nina:

As discussed in previous telephone conversations the Stinson Street School building is a "LACAC designated building".

I wish to thank you for providing to me the information on the "Reasons for Designation - Stinson Street School" and the "Information on Heritage Designation and Funding". Plans have been started to undertake a major maintenance project to repair the badly deteriorated roof of this building.

The scope of the work for the project includes;

- (a) repairs to several areas of the structural framing and roof deck (flat)/roof sheathing (sloped) boards that have become decayed due to water leakage
- (b) replacement of the roof membrane on both of the high level flat roof sections
- (c) removal of the abandoned masonry ventilation stack on the south tower
- (d) replacement of ALL the slate roof tiles on all sloping roof sections and valleys and ridges.

The language in the information provided on the reasons for designation specifically mentions the "slate roofs" on both towers.

The reroofing component of the project does not require a permit under normal conditions however a change in this construction material can be considered an "alteration" under the Act.

We have examined three (3) options for the reroofing component that consider safety, effectiveness and cost efficiency.

Mailing Address  
P.O. Box 2558  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L8N 3L1

Adresse postale  
C.P. 2558  
Hamilton (Ontario)  
L8N 3L1



#### Option 1 - Full Restoration of Slate Tile Roofs

This option examined the restoration of all slate roofs using slate roof tile materials that match the existing. It is noteworthy that the existing slate roof tiles on the north tower do not match those on the south tower in their color or condition.

The tiles on the south tower are black and very deteriorated with many broken. It is expected that fewer than 10% are salvageable.

The tiles on the north tower are green and are showing signs of deterioration with many broken. It is expected that fewer than 30% are salvageable.

#### Option 2 - Restoration of the Slate Roof on the North Face of the North Tower with Replacement of Remaining Slate Tile Roofs using Premium Asphalt Shingles

This option examined providing restoration of the slate roof on the front facade of the building only using salvaged slate roof tiles from the north tower. All other slate roof tiled areas would be reroofed with a premium asphalt shingle.

#### Option 3 - Replacement of Slate Tile Roofs with Premium Asphalt Shingles

This option examined the removal of the slate tiles on all roofs to then be replaced with premium asphalt shingles.

A summary of detailed budget estimates provided by two roofing companies [Dutch Roofing (Stoney Creek) and Britannia Roofing (Toronto)] well experienced in slate roof tile work and well known to the HBE follows.

|                                          | Dutch<br>Roofing | Britannia<br>Roofing | HBE<br>Budget |
|------------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| Option 1 (SLATE)                         | \$519,500+GST    | \$661,500+GST        | \$205,000+GST |
| Option 2 (PREMIUM<br>ASPHALT<br>& SLATE) | \$293,000+GST    | \$315,500+GST        | \$205,000+GST |
| Option 3 (PREMIUM<br>ASPHALT)            | \$296,000+GST    | \$328,500+GST        | \$205,000+GST |

(all prices are exclusive of contingency and design/inspection fees)

The premium asphalt shingle recommended is the "Carriage House Shingle" manufactured by Certain Teed (Valley Forge, PA, USA). A copy of their literature is attached for your review. The sample board is available in my office for your review as well.

The "shingle" offers excellent slate shingle-like appearance. The high height of installation will also be contribute to a successful installation. The warranty, life expectancy and durability of the "shingle" are very favorable for this installation.

The issue of the safety of the students, parents and staff has been a long-standing concern for this site. An installation using the "shangle" would greatly improve the safety of this site through the reasonable expectation of the elimination of the hazards of snow avalanches and loose or broken slate roof tiles falling from the roof to the playground areas below.

Recommendation

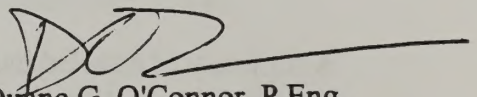
The option that offers a balanced solution addressing safety, effectiveness, cost efficiency and heritage considerations is Option 2.

By proceeding with Option 2 the architectural character of the building will be affected but not lost.

Although the cost is projected to exceed the planned budget however this can be addressed by either deferring other project work and then reallocating those budgeted funds OR by staging the project with the second phase to be completed in Summer 1997. The latter is the most acceptable and preferred course of action.

Please contact me at your earliest convenience to inform me of your committees decision.

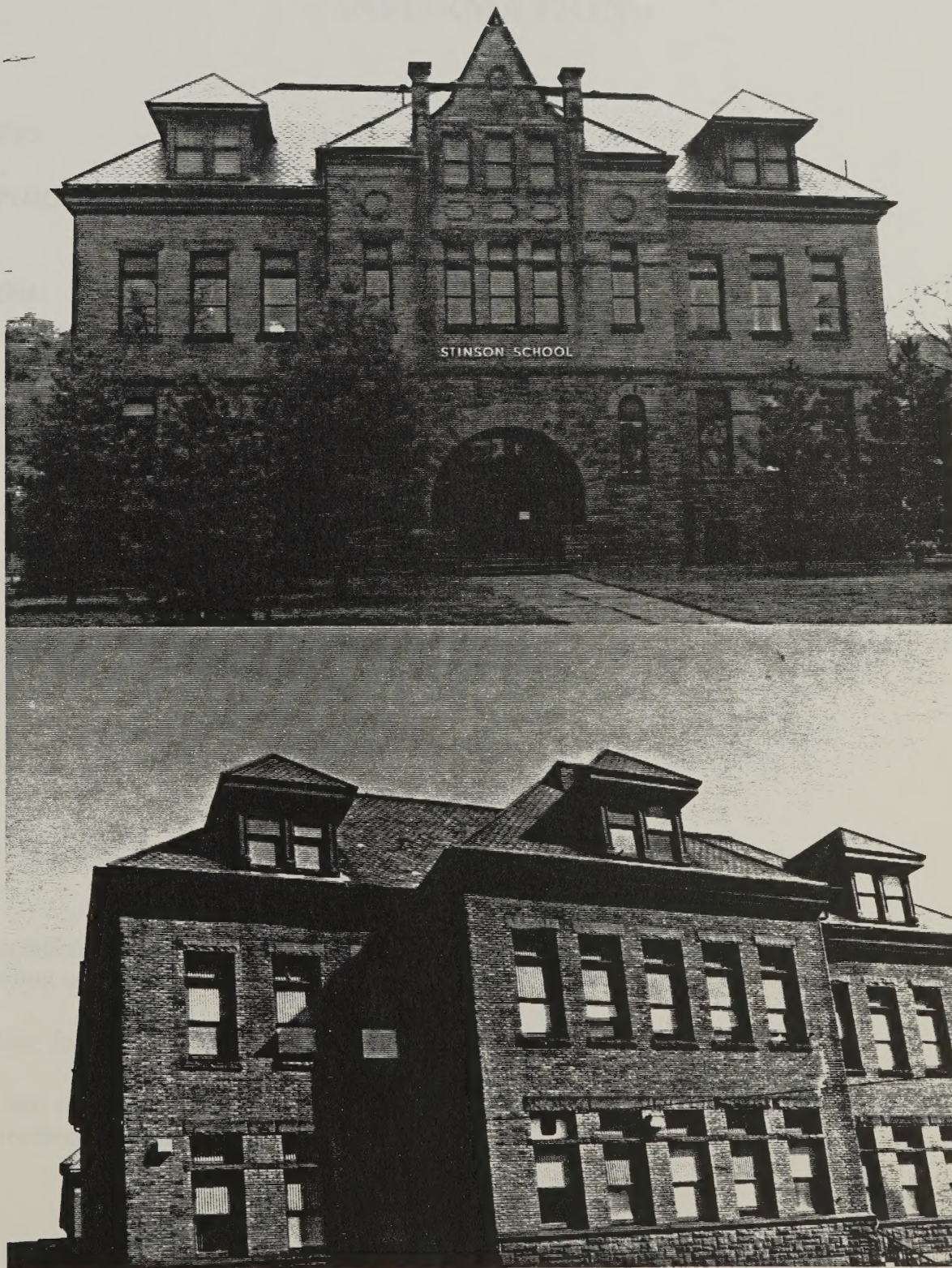
Yours Truly,



Duane G. O'Connor, P.Eng.,  
Manager Design Services



Stinson Street School  
180 Grant Avenue

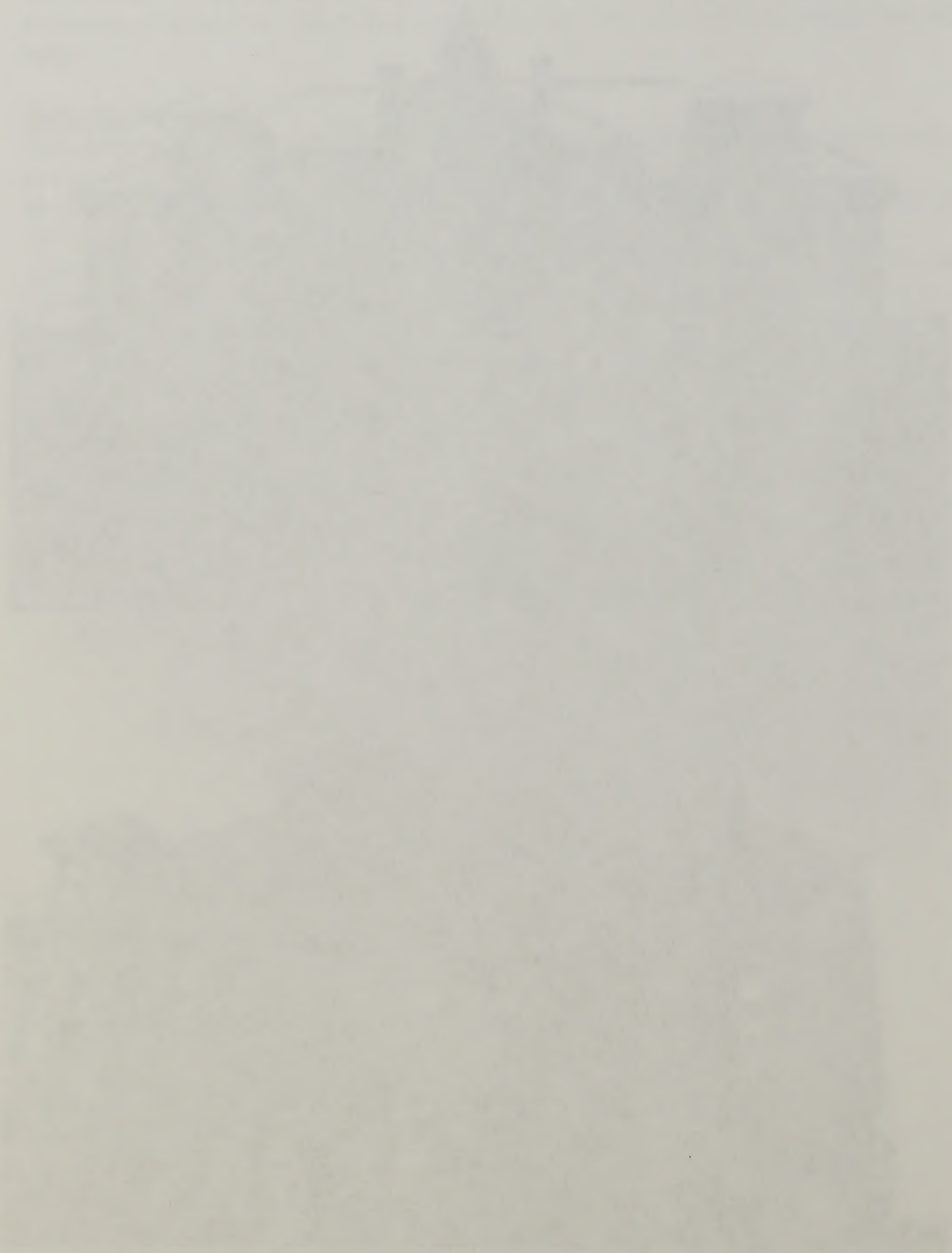


Slate roofing on the original 1895 school (top) and second building erected to the rear in 1915. Photographs taken respectively in 1989 and 1991.



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# CITY OF HAMILTON

## - INFORMATION -

**DATE:** 1996 July 4

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Hamilton Society of Architects, Sesquicentennial  
Design Awards

The following historic buildings were nominated by LACAC:

**Birk's Building** (demolished; site of First City Trust building at s.w. corner of James St. S. and King St. E.)

**Victoria Hall**, 68 King Street East

**St. Paul's Presbyterian Church**, 64 James Street South

**Landed Banking and Loan Company Building**, 47 James Street South

Presentation boards were prepared for these buildings by students from Mohawk College (Building and Construction Sciences).

Of these four nominations, **Victoria Hall** received an *award of excellence*.

Attached are the citations for Victoria Hall and other heritage buildings or related projects that received awards of excellence or merit.

**AWARD OF EXCELLENCE**  
**FOR**  
**"FOR IT'S UNIQUE ARCHITECTURAL MERIT**  
**AS AN ARCHITECTURAL GEM**  
**AND RARE HISTORIC NATIONAL EXAMPLE OF**  
**PRE-1890 HAND-CRAFTED SHEET METAL**  
**FACADE CRAFTSMANSHIP"**  
*(ONLY THREE SUCH STRUCTURES QUALIFY FOR THIS*  
*DESIGNATION IN CANADA TODAY)*  
**TO**  
**VICTORIA HALL**  
**WILLIAM STEWART ARCHITECT**  
**NOMINATED BY**  
**LOCAL ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVATION ADVISORY**  
**COMMITTEE - CITY OF HAMILTON**  
**AWARD BEING ACCEPTED BY THE**  
**NINA CHAPPLE**  
**HERITAGE PLANNER OF**  
**THE CITY OF HAMILTON**



**AWARD OF EXCELLENCE**  
**FOR**  
**"FOR A SPLENDID RESTORATION OF**  
**REGENCY ARCHITECTURE,**  
**AND IT S LONGSTANDING VALUE TO THE**  
**COMMUNITY"**  
**TO**  
**DUNDURN CASTLE**  
**ROBERT WETHERELL ARCHITECT**  
**NOMINATED BY**  
**MOHAWK COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS &**  
**TECHNOLOGY**  
**AWARD BEING ACCEPTED BY**  
**MARILYN HAVELKA**  
**MANAGER CULTURAL SERVICES**  
**CULTURE & RECREATION DEPARTMENT**  
**CITY OF HAMILTON**

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**AWARD OF EXCELLENCE**  
**FOR**  
**"FOR ITS TIMELESS ATTENTION TO DETAIL**  
**AND FOR AN INSPIRATIONAL RESTORATION"**  
**TO**  
**THE PIGOTT BUILDING**  
**PRACK & PRACK ARCHITECTS**  
**NOMINATED BY**  
**MOHAWK COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS &**  
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**AWARD BEING ACCEPTED BY**  
**FRED PRACK ON BEHALF OF THE PRACK**  
**FAMILY**  
**&**  
**LYNN SKILLING VICE-PRESIDENT OF SALES**  
**FOR THE CANLIGHT GROUP**



**AWARD OF EXCELLENCE**  
**FOR**  
**"FOR A MAGNIFICENT REMINDER OF**  
**HAMILTON'S DAYS OF GLORY**  
**AND FOR ITS POWERFUL DESIGN EXAMPLE OF**  
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**HAMILTON**

**AWARD OF EXCELLENCE**  
**FOR**  
**"FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD CONSERVATION**  
**AND**  
**FOR INSPIRING SIMILAR STUDIES IN**  
**CONSERVATION"**  
**TO**  
**THE DURAND-MARKLAND STUDY**  
**UNTERMAN McPHAIL CUMING ASSOCIATES**  
**&**  
**WENDY SHEARER LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT LIMITED**  
**AWARD BEING ACCEPTED BY**  
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**CUMING ASSOCIATES**  
**&**  
**WENDY SHEARER OF WENDY SHEARER**  
**LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT LIMITED**  
**&**  
**HELAIN FALLEN**  
**PRESIDENT OF**  
**THE DURAND NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION**



**AWARD OF EXCELLENCE**  
**FOR**  
**"FOR IT S VISIONARY LANDSCAPE DESIGN &**  
**FOR IT S FORWARD THINKING RESTORATION**  
**OF THE ENVIRONMENT BOTH PAST AND**  
**PRESENT"**  
**TO**  
**THE ROCK GARDEN**  
**ROYAL BOTANICAL GARDENS**  
**1928 WILSON BUNNELL & BORGSTROM LTD**  
**LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS**  
**&**  
**CARL BORGSTROM ASSOCIATES LANDSCAPE**  
**ARCHITECTS**  
**NOMINATED BY**  
**ANN MILLOVSOROFF**  
**CHAIR OF WESTON FOUNDATION**  
**AWARD BEING ACCEPTED BY**  
**ANN MILLOSOVROFF**  
**ROYAL BOTANICAL GARDENS**

**AWARD OF EXCELLENCE**  
**FOR**  
**"FOR QUALITY OF HISTORIC RESTORATION"**  
**TO**  
**RESTORATION OF HISTORIC LANDSCAPE**  
**COCKPIT BUILDING DUNDURN PARK**  
**WENDY SHEARER LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT**  
**LIMITED**  
**AWARD BEING ACCEPTED BY**  
**WENDY SHEARER**  
**OF**  
**WENDY SHEARER LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT**  
**LIMITED**



**AWARD OF MERIT**

**FOR**

**"ITS SUSTAINED VALUE TO HAMILTON'S**

**RESIDENTIAL HERITAGE"**

**TO**

**WHITEHERN RESIDENCE**

**41 JACKSON STREET WEST**

**AWARD BEING ACCEPTED BY**

**MARILYN HAVELKA**

**MANAGER CULTURAL SERVICES**

**CULTURE & RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**CITY OF HAMILTON**

**AWARD OF MERIT**  
**FOR**  
**"EXEMPLIFYING THE POTENTIAL OF LINKING**  
**NEW AND OLD"**  
**TO**  
**THE EMPLOYEE FACILITY PROCTOR &**  
**GAMBLE INC.**  
**PBK ARCHITECTS & ENGINEERS LTD.**  
**AWARD BEING ACCEPTED BY**  
**BILL LOBB OF PBK ARCHITECTS & ENGINEERS**  
**LTD.**



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## CITY OF HAMILTON

### - INFORMATION -

**DATE:** 1996 July 5

**REPORT TO:** Charlene Touzel  
LACAC Secretary

**FROM:** V.J. Abraham, M.C.I.P.  
Director, Planning and Development Department

**SUBJECT:** Hamilton Society of Architects, Hamilton Downtown  
Ideas Charrette

Attached are the following information items pertaining to the two-day charrette held at The Right House building, Friday and Saturday, 1996 June 21-22:

- i. Background
- ii. Agenda
- iii. Team Members
- iv. Reports published in *The Spectator* (3 articles: 1996 June 23, 24, 25; letter from Mary Pocius, executive director, International Village BIA: July 4)

The following LACAC members and staff were involved:

John Mokrycke, organizer  
Alderman d'Amico, team member  
Jane Rigby, team member  
Nina Chapple, resource team member  
Ann Gillespie, resource team member

Every team member was presented with a letter of thanks and a James South Stone Terrace poster as a token of appreciation for their participation in the charrette.

# HAMILTON DOWNTOWN IDEAS CHARRETTE

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

In celebration of the City of Hamilton's sesquicentennial, the Hamilton Society of Architects is sponsoring a multidisciplinary ideas charrette to address the current conditions in downtown Hamilton.

## 2.0 BACKGROUND

"The problem is that we are unhappy with the way our downtown feels. Why are we unhappy? We see empty stores, we see boarded up buildings, we don't see a thriving place"

Marvin Caplan  
City Alderman and  
Downtown business owner

Mr. Caplan speaks for many Hamiltonians' feelings about the historic heart of their City. Hamilton's downtown has been in decline since the 1970's. Vacancy rates are growing at an alarming rate. The community's architectural heritage is disappearing into a sea of parking lots. The major urban mall, the new Eaton Centre, is almost half empty. At the same time, downtown has great potential. It has beautiful nineteenth and early twentieth century architecture and successful cultural facilities such as Copps Coliseum and Hamilton Place. Hamiltonians want to understand why their downtown is in such decline when surrounded by a growing and vibrant city and what steps can be taken to bring a new sustainable life to downtown Hamilton.

## 3.0 GOALS/OBJECTIVES

- To propose a new life for downtown Hamilton that goes beyond physical form and aesthetics to discover the essence of Hamilton and its role in the twenty-first century, and:
- To bring forward recommendations that will address how a revitalized downtown core can be achieved and implemented.

## 4.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of the charrette process in addressing these objectives is to:

- Identify current problems and concerns
- Examine how and why people identify downtown as the heart of the City
- Address how the role of the core must be developed to meet the needs of a post-industrial society
- Make recommendations that will address problems and provide relevant and viable solutions.
- To raise public awareness and understanding of downtown issues by bringing them forward in a public forum
- To generate a 'grass roots' interest in the solutions for downtown's problems from within the community as a vehicle for positive change.



# HAMILTON DOWNTOWN IDEAS CHARRETTE

## 5.0 PRINCIPLES

The following principles should be used to guide the rejuvenation of the downtown

- Encouraging an economic and physical environment that will create self sustaining commercial, retail and residential sectors in the downtown core.
- Retain and emphasize the downtown as the heart of the Hamilton-Wentworth region.
- Develop and support the multi-functional role of streets and public spaces to provide for a variety of activities and services, including parking, to meet community needs

## 5.0 IMPLEMENTATION

A significant component of the charrette process will be to outline, in a simple and straightforward manner, a strategy to implement the principles and recommendations, addressing issues that include but are not limited to the following:

- a. Economic
  - Taxation
  - Marketing/Economic Development
  - Finance/Real Estate
- b. Planning
  - Built-form and Land-use Objectives
  - Policies and Regulations
  - Social Impact - Public Amenities, Safety, Accessibility
- c. Movement
  - Transit
  - Roads/Circulation
  - Parking

## 6.0 WHAT IS A CHARRETTE

The charrette is an intensive urban design and planning exercise that brings together teams of multi-disciplinary professionals, politicians, business people and ordinary citizens in a setting in which all participants can contribute to the planning process.

The Charrette helps to educate the participants, incorporate their contributions, verify decisions and break down barriers between various interest groups in order to generate and foster ideas for positive change.



# HAMILTON DOWNTOWN IDEAS CHARRETTE

## 7.0 PROCESS

A two day ideas charrette on Friday June 21 and Saturday June 22, 1996.

Five interdisciplinary teams made up of volunteer visiting urban designers/architects, local architects, landscape architects, developers, local business persons, planners, realtors, bankers, politicians and local residents will be invited to participate for two days. During these two days they will be supplied with information and presentations on Hamilton's downtown as well as several students and city staff to aid in recording and presenting their ideas. Each team will then be asked to present with simple drawings and a short written report, a set of principles, recommendations and an implementation strategy that they have developed over the two days.

Late in the afternoon of the last day the teams will present their ideas to the other teams, the public and the media. This will be followed by a panel discussion with an invited urban designer, architect, and planner to discuss the merits of each team's ideas and the future of downtown Hamilton.

## 8.0 ITINERARY

|               |                                                                                                                         |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Fri. 9AM      | Welcome by Mayor Morrow                                                                                                 |
| Fri. 9:15AM   | Introduction to downtown Hamilton, it's' history, present condition and the charrette process                           |
| Fri. 10:15 AM | Walking tours of the study area                                                                                         |
| Fri. 11 AM    | Key Note Speaker, Michael Stern                                                                                         |
| Fri. Noon     | Lunch in team groups (complimentary)                                                                                    |
| Fri. 1 PM     | Teams begin discussions                                                                                                 |
| Fri. 5 PM     | Dinner (complimentary)                                                                                                  |
| Fri. 7 -9 PM  | evening work                                                                                                            |
| Sat 9 AM      | Discussions and work on drawings and report continues                                                                   |
| Sat Noon      | Working lunch (complimentary)                                                                                           |
| Sat 3 PM      | Work must be photographed if slides are to be used in final presentation. Report and drawing work continues.            |
| Sat 3:15 PM   | Slides return. Work out presentation.                                                                                   |
| Sat 4 PM      | Presentations begin 5 @ 15 min. each.                                                                                   |
| Sat 5:15 PM   | Moderated panel discussion of proposals and issues.                                                                     |
| Sat 6:15 PM   | Evening wine and horsd'oeuvres reception announcing and honoring HSA Sesquicentennial Design Awards winning submissions |



# Hamilton Society of Architects

## AGENDA

Friday, June 21, 1996

The Right House Building

Third Floor

- 9:00 a.m. Welcome address by Mayor Robert Morrow to the Charrette Team audience.
- 9:20 a.m. Introduction to downtown Hamilton, it's history and present condition. Presentation by Mary M Pocius, Executive Director of Hamilton's International Village Business Improvement Area and Vladimir Matus of the Regional Municipality of Hamilton-Wentworth, Manager Urban Design, Local Planning Division.
- 10:30 a.m. A description of the Charrette process and introduction of Charrette Team Leaders: Hamilton native and internationally renowned architect Bruce Kuwabara of Kuwabara Payne McKenna Blumberg Architects - Toronto, Founding Director of Architecture and Urban Design Division City of Toronto Planning and Development and internationally renowned new-urbanism specialist Ken Greenberg of Berridge Lewinberg Greenberg Dark Gabor Limited, international award recipient for planning, landscape, urban design and historic preservation architect Roger duToit of duToit Architects Inc. -Toronto, local architect with an international reputation as Canada's 'New Wave' of architectural practitioners John Ferguson of Ferguson Ferguson Architects - Dundas, and internationally renowned architect Donald Schmitt of A.J. Diamond, Donald Schmitt and Company, Architects -Toronto. Presentation by Ken Coit, Intern Architect, Hamilton Society of Architects.
- 10:45 a.m. Introduction of Resource Team: Michael Stern - Project Manager Pittsburgh Downtown Plan, Karen Wood - CNIB, Nick Catalano & Mark Benassi -Regional Economic Development, Ada Dixon - Barrier Free Accessibility, Bill O'Brien - HSR, Lawrence Stasiuk - City of Hamilton Parks, Constable Claus Wagner - Hamilton Police Department, Peter Lampman - City Building Department, Roland Karl - City Public Works & Traffic, Bill Janssen, Vladimir Matus & Venessa Grupe - City Planning & Development, Nina Chapple & Ann Gillespie - Heritage Planners City Planning & Development, Jane Rigby - Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee, Nick Poulos - Transportation Engineer, Jim Horton - Transportation Planner, Suzanne Swanton - Co-Chair, Heart of the City Action Centre, Jackie Gordon - Director, Housing Help Centre. Presentation will be made by John Mokrycke of the Hamilton Society of Architects.
- 11:00 a.m. Key-note speaker Michael Stern, Acting Project Manager, Pittsburgh Downtown Plan, City of Pittsburgh Department of City Planning. Presentation on the development of the Pittsburgh Downtown Plan's key aspects, to provide a progressive vision for the future of it's city-center as it enters the 21st century and makes the transition from an industrial to a post-industrial information-age culture.
- 12:00 Noon Walking tours of study area. Three tour groups will be conducted by John Mokrycke, Ken Coit and Christina Kokosky, all with the Hamilton Society of Architects.



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## Concourse Level

- 1:00-5:00 p.m. Charrette team organization, working lunch and team working sessions.
- 5:00-7:00 p.m. Charrette team working dinners at International Village area restaurants: Black Forest Inn, Le Chinois, Steels, Forbidden City and Greek Paradise.
- 7:00-9:00 p.m. Charrette team working sessions resume on concourse level.
- 9:00 p.m. Reception Montfort Mediterranean Cafe, 38 King William Street (North end of Right House Concourse).

## Saturday, June 22, 1996 The Right House Building 35 King Street East Concourse Level

- 9:00 a.m. Charrette team working session continues till 3:00 p.m., at which time the teams commence the preparation and organization of their presentations on recommendations addressing how the re-envisioning of our city-center can be achieved and implemented.

## Third Floor

- 4:00 p.m. The **Public Charrette Forum** commences with the presentations of the Charrette Teams' conclusion to a panel of experts for their critique and debate. **Dan Jaffrey** of the City of Hamilton Social Planning & Research Council will act as the **Moderator** presiding over the Charrette presentations and Forum debate. The Forum Panel of experts will be represented by: **Urban affairs specialist John Sewell**, renowned Urban Design Award-winning Canadian architect **Jerome Markson of Markson Borooah Hodgson Architects Inc.** - Toronto, and **Michael Stern** Project Manager Pittsburgh Downtown Plan **City of Pittsburgh Department of Planning**. The Forum concludes with a twenty minute open discussion with the audience.

- 6:30 p.m. **Complimentary Celebration Reception** hosted by The Aragon Group, LeCosta Restaurant and Kittling Ridge Estate Winery conclude the Charrette event and commence the Design Awards Celebrations. The reception is open to the public by invitation. Invitations can be requested by contacting the Hamilton Society of Architects Sesquicentennial Information Line at (905) 529-6919. Attendance is limited.

- 8:30 p.m. Master of Ceremonies, John Mokrycke of the Hamilton Society of Architects Sesquicentennial Subcommittee, will open the Hamilton Society of Architects Sesquicentennial Design Awards Program. Local architect **Anthony Butler**, the 1996 recipient of the Ontario Association of Architects medal of honour, the *Order of da Vinci* will announce and present the awards for exemplary design contributions impacting on the City's social and community development over the past 150 years. Refer to Media Release: Hamilton Society of Architects Sesquicentennial Design Awards.

## Concourse Level

- 9:30 p.m. Multi-media show entitled "Architecture: Frozen Music & Poetry" produced by the Architectural Literacy Foundation.

## La Costa Restaurant 41 King William Street

- 10:00 p.m. Coffee & Dessert Reception at La Costa (kitty corner to north exit of the Right House Building i.e. N-E corner of Hughson & King William) & P A R T Y !



**Downtown Hamilton Ideas Charrette  
Team Members**

*June 21 and 22, 1996*

|                     | TEAM 1            | TEAM 2                                    | TEAM 3                      | TEAM 4          | TEAM 5                       |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| Team Leader         | Bruce Kuwabara    | Ken Greenberg                             | Roger duToit                | John Ferguson   | Donald Schmidt               |
| Local Architect     | Brian McKibbin    | Joanne McCallum                           | Rick Lintak                 | Myron Karp      | Andrew Nizielski             |
| Landscape Architect | Marianne Mokrycke | David Leinster                            | Wendy Shearer               | Donna Hinde     | Glen O'Connor                |
| Planner             | Don May           | David Cumming                             | Jane Rigby                  | Allan Whittle   | Robert Millar                |
| Local Politician    | Fred Eisenberger  | Michael Fenn                              | Don Drury/<br>Frank D'Amico | Marvin Caplan   | Bob Charters                 |
| Local Business      | Carl Turkstra     | Joel Ginsberg                             | Reg Titan                   | Dianne Woods    | Marvin Wasserman             |
| Local Retailer      | John Kenyon       | Ross Lewis                                | Gord Thompson               | Jason Sniderman | Ted Pietrzyak                |
| Developer           | Gabriel DeSantis  | Richard Lieptag                           | Michael Butler              | Linda Moore     | David House                  |
| Local Citizen       | Bob Mason         | Gil Simmons                               | John Pitts                  | John Nolan      | John Eyles                   |
| Real Estate         | Linda Bryant      | Arthur Weis                               | Sam Pinetti                 | Bill O'Brien    | Gerry Kennedy                |
| Banker              | Terry Teeple      | Justine Fedak                             | Harvey Woods                | Grant Schultz   | John Zemantas or<br>Anton G. |
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# City's planners told to look to the past

SPECTATOR 23 JUNE 1996

By RICK HUGHES  
The Spectator

Keep the past in mind when charting the course for the future of Hamilton's downtown, a gathering of architects, planners and downtown merchants was advised yesterday.

The vibrant street life seen in old photos shows what can be created, city planner Vladimir Matus told 60 participants in the Hamilton Society of Architects' conference on downtown renewal.

"Now, pictures from the 1940s and '50s, yellowed photographs, show much better quality of life than we have now. Therefore, maybe we should return to these pictures and indeed this is coming," he said.

But the past has also given the city two grand visions, both of which have been left unfinished — and in retro-

spect may not have been such good ideas, he added.

The first, dating from the late 1950s and '60s, was to create a business core surrounded by a ring of residential high-rises. Public uproar stopped before it led to complete destruction of neighbourhoods.

The second was the urban renewal of the 1970s, which gave us Jackson Square, Hamilton Place and other downtown buildings without front doors.

In that vision, we were to abandon the street and instead move to the "plus 15" zone, elevated plazas that would be the focus of activity.

"We ended up with enormous public spaces and nobody there," said Mr. Matus.

"We have a problem, another unfinished statement. We don't want that

now, it doesn't work. We want to go back to neighbourhoods."

Geared to coming up with a workable plan for downtown renewal and an implementation strategy, the two-day conference is called a charrette, an architectural term for a meeting of experts from many disciplines.

It continues today at the Right House on King Street East at Hughson Street, winding up at 4 p.m. with a panel discussion open to the public.

There, recommendations from the participants will be presented to a panel that includes John Sewell, former mayor of Toronto.

The keynote speaker at yesterday's opening session was Michael Stern, a consultant working on a downtown revitalization strategy for the city of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mr. Stern said the strategy there

stresses the importance of streets and street-level activity.

"The street system by and large has been maintained as the major orientation for the city," he said.

"We want to make sure that it stays that way. We think streets are really the major public space of the American city, it's where the interaction goes on. As much as we might admire the piazzas of Italy, that's not the model of public space in the American city."

Their approach, one he suggests Hamilton follow, is to try to build on strengths and features that already exist.

They are also looking at using the city's higher density as a competitive advantage, particularly for information-age infrastructure such as fibre-optic wiring.

## DOWNTOWN

## Get rid of one-way streets: forum told

SPECTATOR 24 JUNE 96

By CAROLYN GLEESON

The Spectator

Is demolishing Jackson Square the answer to revitalizing Hamilton's downtown core?

Or would constructing a city-oriented web-site and abolishing one-way streets cure Hamilton's bad case of Toronto envy?

These were some of the ideas discussed by architects, politicians, lawyers and others who attended the Hamilton Society of Architects' two-day problem-solving session on how to renew the city's sickly downtown core.

The groups made their presentations to a panel of experts, and the ideas were then critiqued.

Former Toronto mayor John Sewell sat on the panel, and offered advice on how Hamilton could revitalize the city's empty storefronts.

"Suburbanites aren't going to return to the downtown, they're quite happy where they are," said Mr. Sewell. "Doing more marketing or image work won't change their minds."

"We have to encourage small manufacturers to use the space in the empty buildings. With all of the hospitals in town, perhaps making medical supplies here would be something to think about."

Mr. Sewell also pointed to the booming wine industry as another example of successful domestic manufacturing.

Award-winning Canadian architect Jerome Markson and Michael Stern, a project planner with the city of Pittsburgh, were the other two panel members who evaluated the plans of each team.

The five groups offered suggestions for improving economic development, planning, and transit, roads and parking.

Hamilton's ubiquitous one-way streets were often attacked for keeping business out of the downtown core.

"One-way streets are a system of pride in Hamilton, but they are incompatible with a healthy streetlife," said group leader Ken Greenwood.



# Towards a greener vibrant downtown

The Hamilton Society of Architects is to be commended for a conference at the Right House building that helped stimulate downtown improvement proposals.

*SPECTATOR Editorial 25 June, 1996*

**P**rovide more greenery, people and less concrete. Improve the entrances to Jackson Square. Encourage small-scale residential growth rather than massive, multi-block buildings. Calm traffic, possibly by converting sections of the main arteries into two-way streets.

These and many other ideas to breathe life into downtown Hamilton emerged at a two-day weekend workshop hosted by the Hamilton Society of Architects.

Bringing together a wide spectrum of design experts, business people, and politicians, the symposium demonstrated that many people believe a more attractive, viable downtown core is within reach. There was also a strong appreciation of the need to keep the momentum for change alive, recognizing the urgency of the problem.

In all of the concern about the decay of the city centre, it's sometimes forgotten that Hamilton's downtown has many strengths to build upon. Think of its strategic location. Situated between one of the finest harbours on Lake Ontario at one end, and the Niagara Escarpment on the other, downtown Hamilton should be linked more closely with these natural resources. In place of barren, uninviting concrete corridors, arteries such as Bay Street and Ferguson Avenue could be improved as more natural, tree-lined connectors to the rejuvenated waterfront.

The idea of making downtown more accessible came up time and again. Many participants supported a degree of what might be called open heart surgery on Jackson Square. If the entrances could be opened up, for example, there would be a greater sense of businesses in the mall being integrated with the rest of downtown rather than separate from it.

There was much discussion about the drawbacks of 1960s-era one-way streets, which move traffic but produce lifeless streets that are unfriendly to businesses and pedestrians. One team leader, architect Ken Greenburg, said several cities in North America are converting one-way street systems into two-way. He suggested that sections of King Street and James Street, to name two, would be good candidates. And major east-west routes, such as Main Street and Wilson Street, could look a lot better even if they remain one-way.

Although the lack of a major cross-town expressway system in Hamilton makes fewer one-way streets a big challenge, there was a sense that some replacement of one-way streets might be feasible. A committee was formed to study the issue.

There was a consensus that the downtown has an excess of large buildings that are too big for the city and are taking up space which ideally should be used for housing. The city, it was felt, should not be preoccupied with major development when there is already a huge surplus of office space downtown.

Instead, the city should encourage improvements in the housing mix and streetscape of neighbourhoods on the edge of the core. As a relatively compact area, a more attractive downtown should have a natural appeal in supplying housing to an aging population.

Other ideas included building on the strengths of King William Street, perhaps by making it a showcase of the wine industry; a skating rink in front of city hall; using the Lister Block as an incubator for small businesses and industries downtown; and converting surplus parking lots to parklands.

We salute the Hamilton Society of Architects for organizing a thought-provoking conference. A report on the event will go to city and regional councils and the downtown community development corporation. The report should be a catalyst for action.



SPECTATOR OPINION PAGE  
4 JULY 1996

## Forward on city core

Recently 102 architects, landscape architects, urban planners, business owners (both large and small), citizens of our community and a host of volunteers met on the concourse level of The Right House in downtown Hamilton.

What followed during the next 48 hours was truly amazing.

Out of this two-day, highly charged workshop came five different and quite exciting game plans for the revitalization of our downtown.

A sense of control over our own destiny came out of the varied suggestions, including: more green; forget the mega projects; rethink the one-way streets; no amputation necessary, just restore the vital signs; create an arts and theatre district along King William Street; chop up Jackson Square; provide a shuttle linking all of downtown; and (my personal favourite) avoid a master plan.

We owe thanks to the Hamilton Society of Architects for assembling such a brilliant group of professionals and citizens. In this time of fiscal restraint, creativity must take hold.

And take hold, it did.

We also owe thanks to aldermen Bob Charters, Frank D'Amico and Marvin Caplan (who also represented the downtown BIA). Each of the aldermen worked on a problem-solving team in such a positive way.

Many thanks to the other members of council who stopped in to catch the flavour of the weekend. Many thanks also to Mayor Bob Morrow for his participation.

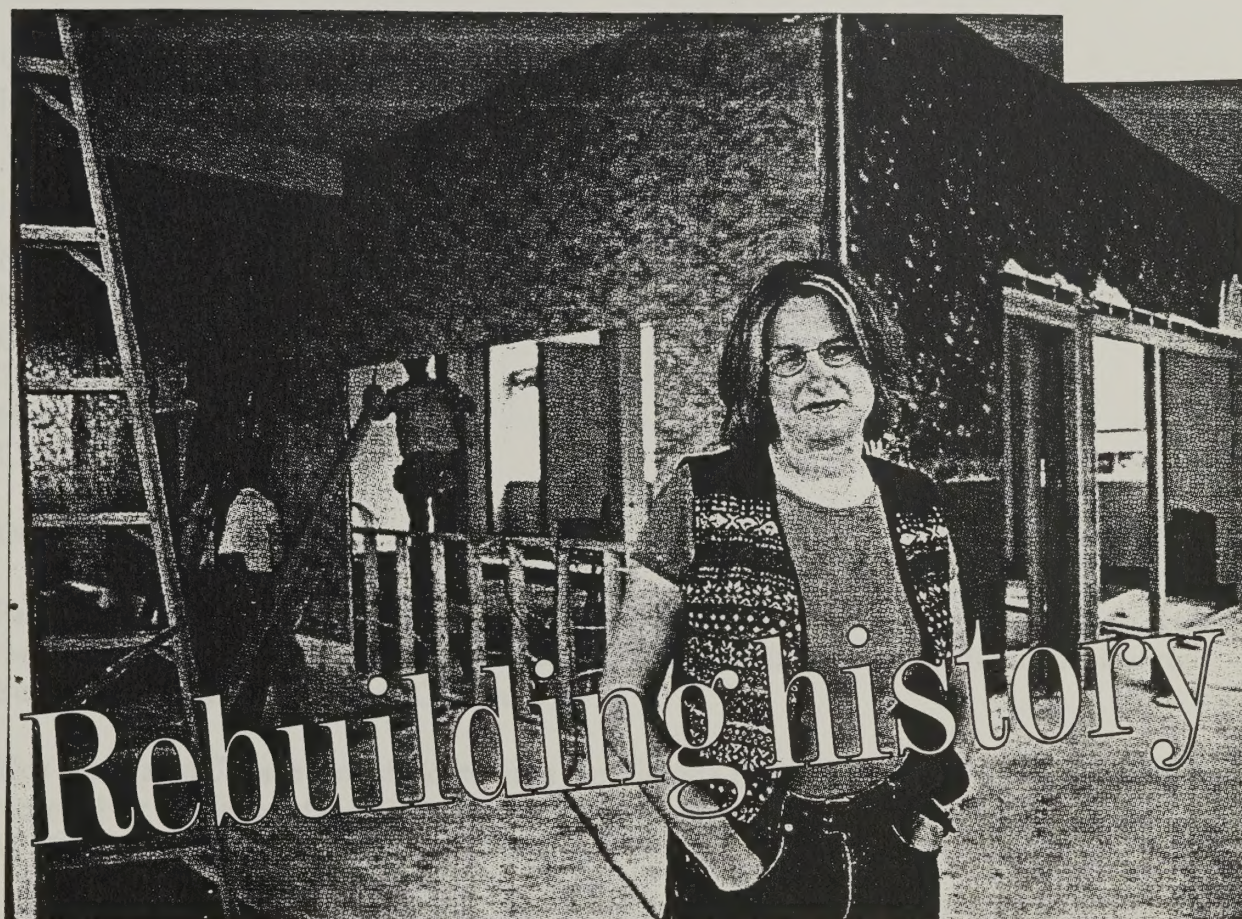
Those of us from the community who took part must ensure that these ideas go forward.

This document must not find its way to a file drawer or shelf. This would be a terrible waste of such a brilliant weekend.

We at International Village were pleased to take part in this undertaking and say thank you to the Hamilton Society of Architects for its leadership.

Mary N. Pocius, executive director,  
International Village BIA, Hamilton





Program coordinator Renee Johnston in the midst of the Custom House renovations.

Gary Yokoyama,  
The Spectator

By JEFF MAHONEY  
The Spectator

## Heritage centre gives new life to historic Custom House

So you think Ontario's history is boring?

No civil wars or revolutions or Lindberghs crossing the Atlantic, like the Americans have? Instead, a lot of starchy old men with muttonchop whiskers plodding towards Confederation, with a Fenian raid or two just to keep everyone from nodding off altogether?

If that's what you think, then you don't know the peppery past of Ontario's working class, much of which was written right here in Hamilton. And you don't know it, because it's almost never taught in the schools.

The new Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre is helping change all that.

The centre is making over the beautiful but neglected old north-end Custom House, on Stuart Street between James and Bay streets, into a kind of hands-on shrine to labour history, the history of working people, and the heritage of Hamilton's north end.

When the renovations are completed September, if all follows schedule, the centre will start setting up displays

and exhibits and multi-media treatments around the theme of Ontario's working people.

This Sunday, the centre is holding an open house, marking the beginning of the renovations, being done by the Hamilton firm of Martin Stewart Construction. The architect for the renovations is also local — McCallum, Mokrycke Sather Architects.

The open house, sponsored by the Ontario Heritage Foundation and the Hamilton And District Labour Council, will feature tours of the old Custom House and the renovations, and walking tours of the north end, east end and downtown areas.

Renee Johnston, the centre's program co-ordinator, was busy yesterday unpacking hard hats, donated by LIUNA Local 837, for the tour.

"We have audio cassettes to go with the tours of the north and east ends, with interviews, collected over the last

year, of people who lived and worked in Hamilton, around the '40s," says Johnston.

That was a critical time in Hamilton's and Ontario's labour history — there was the big Stelco strike of 1946, for example.

The downtown tour will retrace, as much as possible, the route of the Nine-Hour-Day March by 1,500 workers in Hamilton in 1872, says Johnston.

### Biggest employer

"The biggest employer at the time was the Great Western Railway. They granted the nine-hour day, but it took years after the march before it was widely adopted by others."

The tour will also stop at James and Wilson, the site of the 1906 Hamilton Street Railway Strike riot.

"It really brings the neighbourhoods to life when you hear the people talking (on the tapes)," says Catherine

Peard, a board member of the centre.

"The working and living conditions; swimming off Eastwood Park; the domestic life; what kind of appliances households had; how long it took to do washing and other chores; how people survived the Depression, by pulling coal off trains and picking fruits and vegetables; the internments (of Italian-Canadians) during World War II."

The real centrepiece of the tours, however, is the Custom House. One of the city's most striking architectural ornaments, it has had a rich and checkered history, in terms of the city's working people.

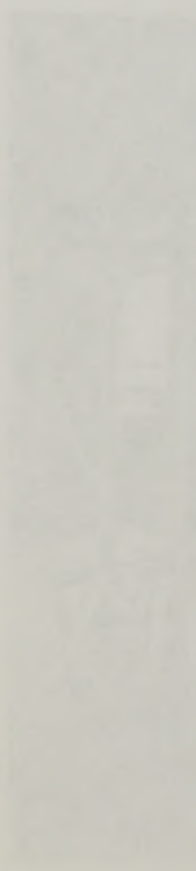
The building has been a customs department, a textile plant, a macaroni factory and a martial arts academy.

Last year, with money from the provincial government, the Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre bought the building for \$400,000. The centre has about another million dollars from the province and the city to cover renovating and operating costs.

The open house and tours will run from 2 to 5 p.m. on Sunday. The Custom House is at 51 Stuart Street.

The tours will be led by Rob Kristoferson, who wrote the tour booklets.





## REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF THE LAND OFFICE

THE COMMISSIONER OF THE LAND OFFICE, STATE OF TEXAS, has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the report of the Surveyor General of the State, and to transmit the same to the Senate, as required by the Constitution of this State.

The Surveyor General of the State, in his report, has given a full and complete account of the land surveying operations of the State during the year ending December 31, 1902. He has also given a full and complete account of the land surveying operations of the State during the year ending December 31, 1901. The report of the Surveyor General of the State for the year ending December 31, 1902, is a full and complete account of the land surveying operations of the State during the year ending December 31, 1902.

On the 11th day of February, 1903, the Senate of the State of Texas, in session at the City of Austin, Texas, passed the following resolution: That the report of the Surveyor General of the State, for the year ending December 31, 1902, be printed and distributed to the members of the Senate.





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Nina Chaple  
Heritage Planner  
City of Hamilton  
71 Main Street West, 7th Floor.  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L8H-7N2

Dear Ms. Chaple

Parks Canada, Department of Canadian Heritage is currently undertaking a program to record the architectural features of buildings which have been designated by the National Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada.

This year Parks Canada would like to have the Victoria Hall, 68 King Street East, Hamilton recorded by members of our Heritage Conservation Program, under the direction of Mr. Peter Sawyer.

For these recording purposes then, may I request that Mr. Sawyer and his team be given access to the above mentioned structure for the two day period of June 20-21, and that he be given access to any floor plans plus any detail drawings that would facilitate our recording program of this architecturally significant building.

Mr. Sawyer can be contacted at (819) 997-4992, for finalizing the details if questions should arise.

May I thank you in advance for your co-operation in facilitating our heritage recording of designated buildings.

Yours sincerely

R. Letellier  
Heritage Conservation Program  
Real Property Services for Canadian Heritage & Environment Canada  
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Heritage Property & Museum Programs Unit  
Cultural Programs Branch

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July 3, 1996

Ann Gillespie  
Heritage Planner  
Planning and Development Department  
City of Hamilton  
71 Main Street West,  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L8N 3T4

Dear Ms. Gillespie:

Re: Technical Consulting Service  
St. Paul's Presbyterian Church  
Hamilton

Further to your letter of September 12 of last year, I am writing to confirm approval for your request for technical advice regarding suitable methods for improving the lighting levels within the sanctuary of the St. Paul's Presbyterian Church. Arrangements will be made for a consultant to carry out a site inspection, as soon as possible. Based on the recommendations of OHF Property Administrator Peter Elliot, the appointed consultant will be asked to:

1. Determine the appropriate level of light that will provide sufficient illumination without changing the character of the space in an unacceptable manner and;
2. report on methods for achieving the desired light level in the least intrusive manner taking full account of the importance of the building as a locally designated property which is also protected under an Ontario Heritage Foundation easement.

The Technical Consulting Service is made available to municipalities free of charge through the cooperative effort of this Ministry and the Ontario Historical Society. The Society will contact you in the near future regarding the required liability waiver and to make arrangements for the consultant's site visit.

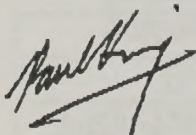
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We hope that the Service will prove helpful to the City of Hamilton and LACAC in your efforts to maintain the integrity of this important property.

Yours sincerely,



Paul King  
Technical/Education Advisor

cc. Mrs. Dorothy Duncan, Ontario Historical Society  
Mr. David Church, Trustee, St. Paul's Presbyterian Church  
Mr. Peter Elliot, Ontario Heritage Foundation





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June 10, 1996

Marilyn Havelka  
Manager, Cultural Services  
Culture and Recreation Dept.  
City of Hamilton  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L8N 3T4

RECEIVED  
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

JUN 19 1996

Dear Marilyn:

Re: Dundurn Castle Stable Building: Renovations for Conference Centre

This is to confirm that we have reviewed the proposed renovations to the stable building at the Dundurn Castle site with respect to the terms of the heritage conservation easement agreement between the Ontario Heritage Foundation and the City of Hamilton.

It should be noted that the stable is not specifically mentioned in the agreement as a protected element (although the agreement provides protection against demolition) and we appreciate the opportunity to comment on the proposal. The version of the project referred to was described in information provided to us by Joy Dubbeld of Hamilton LACAC on May 15, 1996, which included the recommendation of the LACAC Research Sub-committee that the work be issued a heritage permit.

The revised proposal is acceptable under the terms of the heritage conservation easement agreement with the following comments:

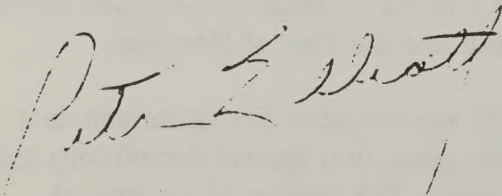
- given the proposed change in building use, we would encourage the documentation of any significant elements of the interior prior to their removal (if it hasn't been done already);

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- we confirm the LACAC's comment that the architect has minimized the impact of the exterior mechanical equipment enclosure and other alterations to an acceptable level of intrusion;
- the proposal conforms to the general conservation principles of minimal impact, reversibility, and compatible design;
- although the proposal is acceptable to the Foundation, the preferable option from a conservation point of view would have been a catering kitchen instead of a commercial kitchen, which requires more mechanical equipment (a commercial kitchen can also cause damage by changing the humidity levels within the building, and it can increase the risk of fire);
- in reference to the above, the work to the interior needs to be carefully designed (particularly if the building is being insulated) so that the increased humidity in the building will not result in concentrations of moisture in the walls, which could cause damage to the masonry;
- the work needs to be carefully designed so that the risk of fire is minimized.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions or comments with respect to the above, please do not hesitate to contact me at (416) 325-5019.

Yours sincerely.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Peter Elliott', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Peter Elliott  
Property Administrator - Easements

cc: Hamilton LACAC  
Marilyn Miller, MCzCR  
Bill Nesbitt, Dundurn Castle



5a  
Tuesday, 1996 May 14  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 233, City Hall

The Hamilton Historical Board met.

There were present: David Beland, Chairperson  
Walter Peace, Vice-Chairperson  
Alderman William McCulloch  
Alderman Bernie Morelli  
Gordon Birk  
David Cuming  
Brian Henley  
Stephen Kostyshyn  
Jack McBurney  
Carolyn McCann  
Joyce Newman  
Victoria Reiding  
Claire Riddell

Also present: Ross Fair, Director, Culture and Recreation Department  
Marilynn Havelka, Culture and Recreation Department  
Thérèse Charbonneau, Culture and Recreation Department  
Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department  
Bob Chrystian, Public Works and Traffic Department  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary

1. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

There were no Chairperson's remarks made at this time.

2. PRESENTATIONS

a) Archaeological Survey of the Red Hill Creek Valley - Bob Mayer and Sean Gouglas, Mayer Heritage Consultants Inc.

The Board was in receipt of a copy of the Executive Summary of the Archaeological Survey of the Red Hill Creek Valley as prepared by Mayer Consultants Inc.

Bob Mayer and Sean Gouglas, Mayer Heritage Consultants Inc., appeared before the Board to present an overview of the report. A slide presentation highlighting the area surveyed and some of the artifacts recovered was also shown for the Board's information.

Board Members were advised that a copy of the Archaeological Survey which provides detailed evaluations of the relevant sites found and the recommendations made has been forwarded to the Hamilton Region Conservation Authority and the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation. Brian Henley asked that a copy of the report also be forwarded to the Special Collections Section of the Hamilton Public Library.

In reference to the report, Brian Henley felt that the Hamilton Historical Board should make a strong statement that the aboriginal and cultural heritage of the Red Hill Creek Valley be respected and clearly interpreted for the public. In Mr. Henley's view, a compromise was being made between the needs for transportation and the needs for heritage preservation in the Red Hill Creek Valley. After considerable discussion, the Board approved the following:

That Brian Henley and Walter Peace together with the Hamilton

History Sub-Committee, review the Archeological Survey of the Red Hill Creek Valley as prepared by Mayer Heritage Consultants Inc. to formulate a recommendation which can be forwarded to the Parks and Recreation Committee emphasizing the history and importance of the Red Hill Creek Valley and the Board's concerns respecting the preservation of this area.

b) Period Landscape Survey - Wendy Shearer Landscape Architect Limited

The Board was in receipt of a letter dated 1996 February 21 from Wendy Shearer, Wendy Shearer Landscape Architect Limited, respecting a Period Landscape Survey of the Dundurn Castle grounds recently undertaken by her firm.

Wendy Shearer appeared before the Board to provide an overview of the Period Landscape Study and the report's findings. A slide presentation highlighting photographs and historical documents used to survey the site was shown for the Board's information.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Board was in receipt of the Minutes of the Hamilton Historical Board for its meetings held 1996 April 9 and March 12. These Minutes were adopted as circulated.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a) Wording for Sesquicentennial Plaque (tabled from last meeting)

A copy of the wording for the Sesquicentennial Plaque to be installed in Sam Lawrence Park was circulated for the Board's information. Board Members and Staff who assisted with the wording were thanked for their efforts in this regard.

b) Cityview: Hamilton's Plan for Tomorrow - Public Input Requested on New Official Plan

The Board was in receipt of a copy of the Cityview: Hamilton's Plans for Tomorrow brochure as prepared by the Planning and Development Department.

Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department, encouraged the Board to submit comments in terms of historical resources and Museums to the Planning and Development Department so that they can be taken into consideration when the new Official Plan for the City of Hamilton is developed.

The Board approved the following:

That the Hamilton History Sub-Committee be requested to review the Cityview: Hamilton's Plan for Tomorrow brochure and formulate a response from the Hamilton Historical Board respecting the City Museums and Hamilton's heritage for consideration by the Board at its next meeting.



5. DIRECTOR OF CULTURE AND RECREATION

a) Grounds Use Request - Dundurn Park

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 May 6, from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Board approved the following:

That the following 1996 Grounds Use Request for Dundurn Park be approved:

- a) John Calvin Christian School - June 13
- b) Chedoke McMaster Hospitals - June 27
- c) German Canadian Society for Aged Persons - July 9
- d) Union Gas Limited - July 11
- e) Hamilton Dystonia Support Group - September 28

b) Deaccessioning of Artifacts - Dundurn Castle

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 April 26 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

After some discussion, the Board approved the following:

That the report of the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, dated 1996 April 26 respecting the deaccessioning of artifacts at Dundurn Castle be tabled to the next meeting and that staff be directed to provide a complete and detailed list of the artifacts to be deaccessioned.

c) The Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum - Amendments by By-laws and Constitution

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 May 6 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Board approved the following:

That the By-laws and Constitution of the Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum, adopted by City Council on 1992 August 25, attached hereto and marked as Appendix "A" be approved as amended.

d) Veevers Estate - 1948 Cargo 1 Ton Truck

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 May 6 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Committee approved the following:

That the Staff Acquisitions Committee be directed to review the status of the Veevers truck and bring back recommendations on possible uses to the Hamilton Historical Board.

e) Commemoration of 1813 Route of Billy Green

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 May 6 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Marilynn Havelka, Manager of Heritage Services, Culture and Recreation Department, indicated that the Hamilton Historical Board is being requested to approve the Grounds Use Request to permit Victoria Boulter to ride a horse along the historic 1813 route of Billy Green from Battlefield House in Stoney Creek to the Harvey Park grounds on Saturday, 1996 June 1. The Board was advised that the Special Events Advisory Team will be forwarding a recommendation requesting approval for the event, subject to applicable terms and conditions, to the Parks and Recreation Committee for approval.

Given the above, the Board approved the following:

That approval as required by Parks By-law 95-126, Section 29, Section 35 and Section 37, be given to Victoria Boulter to ride a horse along the historic 1813 route of Billy Green from Battlefield House in Stoney Creek to the Harvey Park grounds on Saturday, 1996 June 1, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- a) That the Applicant assume responsibility for all labour charges associated with the event; clean up, etc.; and,
- b) That a Site Map specific to each event be submitted 60 days prior to the event; and,
- c) That the terms and conditions be reviewed and monitored by the Special Events/Festival Advisory Team; and,
- d) That the Applicant park a horse trailer in the Dundurn Castle parking lot.

f) **Purchase of Equipment for the Hamilton Children's Museum**

The Board was in receipt of a revised report dated 1996 May 14 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Board approved the following:

- a) That up to \$600 be used from the Hamilton Children's Museum Trust Account No. CH 5X999 00403 for the purchase of a camera and television monitor set for exhibit purposes at the Hamilton Children's Museum; and,
- b) That an acknowledge sign recognizing the donation of \$600 from the East Hamilton Optimist Club for the purchase of a camera and television monitor set be erected at the Hamilton Children's Museum.

g) **Young Canada Works Programme - Dundurn**

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 May 6 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

The Board approved the following:

That the Director of Culture and Recreation be authorized to apply to the Federal Department of Canadian Heritage for two positions (Historical Gardening Assistants) under the Young Canada Works Programme for a period of eight (8) weeks at no cost to the City.



h) Grant Application - Federal Department of Employment and Immigration Section 25 Programme - The Hamilton Children's Museum, Whitehern and the Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 May 6 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

The Board agreed to amend the recommendation to add the words "at no cost to the City" after the words "for a period up to 52 weeks". Given the above, the Board approved the following as amended:

That the Director of Culture and Recreation be authorized to apply for a grant under the Federal Department of Employment and Immigration Section 25 Programme to request the following positions for a period up to 52 weeks at no cost to the City:

Museum Assistant, Exhibit Preparator - The Children's Museum

Museum Collections Assistants (4) - Whitehern and the Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology

i) Grant Application - Canadian Museums Association - Production of Grounds Tour Brochure for Dundurn and Harvey Parks

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 May 6 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

The Board approved the following:

That the Director of Culture and Recreation be authorized to apply for a "Reading the Museums" Grant through the Canadian Museums Association for the production of a grounds tour brochure for Dundurn and Harvey Parks.

Marilynn Havelka indicated that this project must involve adult learners and the participation of community based literacy groups. Brian Henley indicated that the Hamilton Public Library offers a good literacy program and could be consulted in this regard.

6. MANAGER, HERITAGE SERVICES, CULTURE & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

a) Veevers Estate

Marilynn Havelka indicated that a video showing the transformation of the Veevers Estate will be shown at the next meeting. Board Members were advised that the Veevers Estate will be open to the public from 1996 May 11-27.

b) Aviary

Marilynn Havelka indicated that the Aviary will be removed from Dundurn Castle in time for the Governor General's visit next month.

7. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum

Carolyn McCann advised Board Members that Margaret Anderson-Herrmann has been elected the new Chairperson of the Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum.

b) Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 May 14 from the Chairperson, Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee, respecting Heritage Inventory Plaques for 228 Barton Street East; 281 Barton Street East; 1014 King Street West and 541 Barton Street East.

The Board approved the following:

That the following buildings listed on the Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest, qualify for Heritage Inventory Plaques:

- a) Kenesky Sports and Cycle Co. Ltd. at 228 Barton Street East; and,
- b) 281 Barton Street East (Bank of Montreal building at Victoria Avenue); and,
- c) 1930's Westdale Theatre at 1014 King Street West; and,
- d) 541 Barton Street East (Bank of Montreal building at Westinghouse).

The Board was further advised that the Hamilton Spectator has requested an opportunity to purchase a Commemorative Plaque to be erected on the southeast corner of East Avenue and King William Street, the original location of the Robert Smiley House. The Board approved the following:

That the Hamilton Spectator be permitted to purchase a Commemorative Plaque to mark the original location of the Robert Smiley House.

David Beland added that the plaque in front of the Gown and Gavel appears to be permanently fixed in place.

c) Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

The Board was in receipt of the Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1996 March 11.

Brian Henley provided an overview of the issues currently being dealt with by the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee including the Hamilton Court House Project and the sale of 220 Dundurn Street South and 360 Mohawk Road West by the Board of Education for the City of Hamilton.



d) Arts Advisory Commission

Claire Riddell advised of the Arts Symposium to be held in Hamilton in 1996 June.

e) Hamilton History Sub-Committee

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 May 14 respecting a policy on bequests as prepared by Walter Peace, Chairperson, Hamilton History Sub-Committee. The Board agreed to table this report to the next meeting.

Further to the above, the Board was advised that the Hamilton Street Railway's proposal for bus shelters in the Gore Park area will be considered by the City's Parks and Recreation Committee on 1996 May 21. Brian Henley agreed to attend this meeting on the Board's behalf.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

Notice Mailed with Tax Bill

David Cuming brought to the Board's attention the recent Notice that was mailed out with the City's Tax Bill advising the general public of the allocation of tax dollars. Mr. Cuming indicated that Historical Sites appeared high on the list and was concerned that the public may get the wrong impression. Mr. Cuming felt that Historical Sites should have been broken down to Museums, Libraries, etc.

Marilynn Havelka agreed to investigate this matter further with the Treasury Department.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

David Beland, Chairperson  
Hamilton Historical Board

Charlene Touzel, Secretary

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**CITY OF HAMILTON**  
**- RECOMMENDATION -**

**DATE:** 1996 June 11

**REPORT TO:** Kevin Christenson, Secretary  
Parks and Recreation Committee

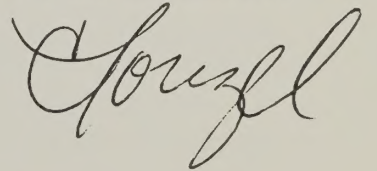
**FROM:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Hamilton Historical Board

**SUBJECT:** Archaeological Survey - Red Hill Creek Valley

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That in light of the Archaeological Survey of the Red Hill Creek Valley as prepared by Mayer Heritage Consultants in 1996, that the archaeological and historical importance of the Red Hill Creek Valley be respected in any plans being formulated for the construction of the Red Hill Creek Expressway.

**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:** n/a



**BACKGROUND:**

The Hamilton Historical Board at its meeting held 1996 May 14 received a copy of the Executive Summary of the Archaeological Survey of the Red Hill Creek Valley as prepared by Mayer Consultants Inc.

The Archaeological Survey includes detailed evaluations of the relevant sites found in the study area.

It was agreed that the Hamilton Historical Board should make a strong statement that the aboriginal and cultural heritage of the Red Hill Creek Valley be respected and clearly interpreted for the public and that the needs for heritage preservation not be compromised for transportation needs in the Valley.

cc Ross Fair, Director, Culture and Recreation Department  
Marilynn Havelka, Culture and Recreation Department  
Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department  
Dale Turvey, Commissioner, Transportation/Environmental Services Group





Monday, 1996 June 10  
4:00 o'clock p.m.  
Room 233, City Hall

5b)

The Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee met.

There were present:

Mayor Bob Morrow, Honourary Chair  
Vincenza Travale, Co-Chair  
Carmen Rizzotto, Executive Director  
Vito Sgro  
Dr. J. David Richardson  
Kay Honda  
Vera Papadopoulos  
David McCormack  
David Ricketts  
Doreen Johnson  
Gale Bankowski  
William Rutledge  
S. Polly Shimizu  
J. Brian Henley  
Sherry Cecil  
Daniel Charles  
Trish Simmons  
Terry Whitehead

Also present:

Tom Cooper  
Derek LaPierre  
Sue Simmons  
Pat Webster  
Kim Scott

Regrets:

Milton Lewis, Co-Chair  
Trish Simmons  
Brian Hinkley  
Ollie Thompson  
Shelley Merlo-Orzel  
Marlene Thomas Osbourne  
Les Pasis

## **AGENDA**

Vincenza Travale began the meeting with an opening reflection.

### **1. Minutes of the meeting held Monday, 1996 March 11**

The Committee was in receipt of the minutes of its meeting held Monday, 1996 May 13th, which were approved as circulated.

2. Report of Co-Chairs

Mardi Gras

Vincenza Travale congratulated Albert Kergl and his Committee for this successful event.

Greater Hamilton Tattoo

Vincenza reported that the Tattoo was a great tribute to Hamilton's Sesquicentennial.

CIBC Diversity Week

Vincenza told the Committee that Sesqui was pleased to take part in this event, at which 26 flags representing the native countries of the staff of the Bank, a birthday cake, Sesqui the Mascot and Jude Johnson performing Hamilton Our Home were highlighted.

Governor General's Day In Hamilton

Vincenza reported that despite the inclement weather, the Governor General enjoyed his day in Hamilton.

Sesquicentennial Ball

Vincenza told the Committee that the Ball was a huge success. She said that the Armouries was transformed from a mess hall to a beautiful park-like setting.

The Spectator Sesquicentennial Commemorative Supplement

Vincenza commented that the supplement, which focuses on the people of Hamilton, is an outstanding memento for our Sesquicentennial.

Amazing Big V Neighbourhood Celebrations

Vincenza reported that despite the damp weather, the day was well organized and met with much enthusiasm from all who attended. The day was filmed by Cable 14 for the entire community.

July 12th Summer Birthday Celebration

Vincenza told the Committee that this Civic celebration at City Hall would be a perfect opportunity for all those who did not attend the Picnics to participate in our birthday celebration.

Canadian Japanese Cultural Centre

Vincenza reported that the Japanese Cultural Revue was a great success.



### **Caribbean Pot Pourri**

Vincenza told the Committee that this event, which was held at Theatre Aquarius, was a great success.

### **Sesqui Bus**

Vincenza informed the Committee that the bus is now running on different routes in the City, and made its debut as the shuttle bus to the Sesqui Ball.

### **National Duathlon**

Vincenza told the Committee that this event was a great success, with over 500 participants.

### **Sesquilt**

Vincenza reported that the Sesquilt is now completed, and was hung for display at the Sesqui Ball. The official presentation of the Sesquilt to the City will be at the Civic Ceremony on July 12th. Meanwhile, it has been booked for display by several groups.

### **Sesquicentennial Coin / Sesquicentennial Stamp**

Vincenza reported that the Coin and Stamp were launched during the Governor General's visit.

### **Main Street Sesqui Banners**

Vincenza told the Committee that impressive Sesqui Banners are now hanging along Main Street from Dundurn into downtown.

### **Flower Beds at City Hall**

Vincenza invited the Committee to view the Sesqui Flower Bed at City Hall, which presents the Sesqui Logo in flowers and coloured stones. There are also flower beds dedicated to all of our twin cities.

### **Shawinigan-Hamilton Sesqui Weekend**

Vincenza informed the Committee that plans for the June 29-July 1 weekend are coming along well. Billeters are needed for this event, and Vincenza urged the Committee to call Derek at the Sesqui Office to participate.

### **Sesqui Sports**

Vincenza told the Committee that a send-off for our Olympic Athletes is scheduled for June 27th.

### **The Sheraton - Hamilton Hotel**

Vincenza informed the Committee that Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Inc. has been named the Sheraton's Corporate Client of the Month for June. She invited the Committee to view a display in the Sheraton lobby, which focuses on the Hamilton Farmer's Market.

### **Sesqui Super Home on Paradise Lottery**

Vincenza reported that the lottery is coming along well, and that a media event should occur before the next meeting.

### **Sesqui Committee and Staff**

Vincenza expressed her appreciation and thanks to all for the energy and enthusiasm that have helped make Sesqui a success to date.

## **3. Executive Director Report**

### **Sesqui Film**

Carmen Rizzotto informed the Committee that the film "Hamilton, My Home", put together by John Best and David Wilson of CHCH TV, was shown at the Sesqui Ball, and received a great response. The Committee then viewed this eight minute documentary.

### **The Spectator**

Carmen thanked Trish Simmons for all of the Spectator's work for Sesqui, especially for the Commemorative Issue.

### **The Mayor's Office**

Carmen thanked Terry Whitehead, Executive Assistant, for all of his hard work and help on behalf of Sesqui.

### **Sesqui Envelope and Stamp**

Carmen showed the Committee the Sesqui Envelope and Stamp that can be purchased at Post Offices.

### **Sesquicentennial/Hamilton Farmer's Market Reception**

Carmen invited the Committee to this reception, which honours the Hamilton Farmer's Market and Sesquicentennial as Corporate Client of the Month at the Sheraton Hotel, East Ballroom, at 5:30 pm, on June 12th. He also passed around Hamilton Farmer's Market buttons to the Committee on behalf of Brian Hinkley and Ollie Thompson.



### **Promotional Literature**

Carmen emphasized the high public awareness that Sesqui is receiving by showing various promotional literature that highlight the Sesqui Logo.

### **Mayor Bob Morrow**

Vincenza welcomed Mayor Morrow to the meeting. Mayor Morrow thanked the Committee and said that the June 8-9th weekend was fabulous. Vincenza thanked the Mayor for his incredible support, leadership and enthusiasm.

## **4. Committee Reports**

### **Concert/Casino**

Vito Sgro told the Committee that planning is underway for a Copps Coliseum benefit to raise \$100,000 for the United Way. Negotiations are currently taking place to book a performer for this event. Vito will have more information about this for the next meeting.

### **Hamilton Folk Arts Heritage Council**

Vera Papadopoulos reported that an invitation will be distributed to the Committee for the opening ceremony for It's Your Festival on Thursday evening, June 27, 1996. The Spectator will be invited to Shawinigan Day on Sunday, June 30th.

### **Hamilton & District Council of Women**

Doreen Johnson thanked Carmen and the Sesquicentennial staff for the work that they did in supporting the Hamilton & District Council of Women's dinner. Visitors enjoyed the events, and have been wearing their Sesqui lapel pins in Ottawa.

### **Sesqui Public Speaking**

Gale Bankowski informed the Committee that the Sesqui Public Speaking competition is on target. However, it is a little weak in adult, (over 21 years), participation. The entertainment program for the night is in the planning stages. Carmen suggested contacting Senior's Magazine to publicize this event. The Public Speaking event takes place on October 27th, and speakers are given three to eight minutes to speak about Hamilton. The deadline to enter this event has been extended to June 13th.

### **Hamilton Spectator Soccer 100th Anniversary**

Bill Rutledge informed the Committee that there are approximately 51 teams entered in the competition. The proceeds of this program will go to the Easter Seal Campaign. The Sesqui mascot is needed for the three final games, i.e., ladies, old timers and seniors on August 17th.



**Hamilton Japanese Community/Ikenobo, Ikebana Society**

Polly Shimizu reported that the Ikenobo Society will have a large floral arrangement that may be five or six feet in height which will be displayed at the Royal Botanical Gardens. It may be displayed elsewhere as long as some assistance is available to move it.

Please contact Carmen at (905)523-1996 if you are interested in displaying this arrangement after September 22nd. The Ikenobo show will be on September 22nd, and for further details, please call (905) 389-7406.

**Hamilton Japanese Community (NAJC & CJCC)**

Kay Honda told the Committee that the next event will be at the Christie Conservation on Sunday, August 11th and Sesqui will be incorporated into this. Terry Whitehead commented that there will be a delegation of 50 coming from Fukayama, Japan, one of our Twin Cities, in July and it would be nice if they could meet with Kay's committee.

**McMaster University**

Sherry Cecil informed the Committee that the Harvest of Research will take place October 6th at McMaster University. There will be speakers in the Robinson Memorial Theatre and a day for families and kids. The current president, Dr. Peter George, wants to open up the campus to the community.

**Interfaith Celebrations**

Daniel Charles reported that all is going well on the Interfaith Committee. A choir of many faiths will be forming and singing in Hamilton Place in October.

**The Spectator**

Trish Simmons reported that copies of the June 8th Sesquicentennial supplement can be purchased at the Customer Service Desk, Main Lobby of the Spectator, for \$1.00.

July 15th, is The Spectator's official Sesquicentennial, and the Spectator plans to use the cover of the first issue of the newspaper to wrap the July 15th issue.

The Spectator is sponsoring two free concerts by the U.S. Army Field Band and Soldier's Chorus, June 27th 7:30 p.m. at Gage Park, and in Burlington the evening of June 26th.

Trish congratulated the Sesqui Committee and volunteers for the successful June 8-9th weekend.

**Mayor's Office**

Terry Whitehead thanked the Committee for the work that they did for the Governor General's visit to help make it an exciting day.



**North American Town Crier Championship**

Alan Freeman informed the Committee that volunteers will be needed on the occasion of the Town Criers competition in July. June 17th, will be the closing date for entrants, and up to 30 town criers will be able to participate.

**Special Notes**

**Hamilton-Shawinigan Sesquicentennial Weekend Billets**

If anyone has possible billets for two adults and one or two children, please telephone Derek Lapierre at the Sesqui office, (905) 523-1996.

**Quilt**

The Sesquicentennial Quilt measures approximately 12 feet by 14 feet across. Please call Brenda at Reap What you Sew in Dundas at (905) 627-7997 if you wish it to be displayed at an event.

**5. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

Vincenza Travale, Co-Chair  
Hamilton Sesquicentennial Committee

Milton Lewis, Co-Chair  
Hamilton Sesquicentennial Committee

Kim Scott  
Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Inc.  
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## CENTRAL AREA PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

a Subcommittee of the Planning and Development Committee

c/o CITY HALL, 71 MAIN STREET WEST, HAMILTON, ONTARIO, L8N 3T4

### MINUTES

#### CENTRAL AREA PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

City Hall, Room 219

Friday, March 8, 1996

#### MEMBERS ATTENDING

Mary Pocius - Chairperson  
Russell Elman  
Gil Simmons  
Art Lomax  
Paul Ortmann  
Rick Lintack  
James Wilson  
Gerry Kennedy  
Manuel Ventura

International Village BIA  
Durand Neighbourhood Association  
North End Neighbourhoods  
Hamilton Automobile Club  
Stinson Community Association  
Hamilton Society of Architects  
Senior Citizens Council  
Metropolitan Hamilton Real Estate Board  
Beasley Neighbourhood

#### REGRETS / ABSENT

Alderman Caplan  
Karen Wood  
John Eyles  
Ron Faichney  
Scott Maltman  
Greg Fraleigh  
Graeme McTaggart

Alderman, Ward 1  
Physically Disabled Committee  
McMaster University  
Senior Citizens Council  
Corktown Neighbourhood Association  
Citizen-at-Large  
Downtown Hamilton BIA

#### STAFF AND OTHERS

Bill Janssen  
Vladimir Matus  
Nina Chapple  
Vanessa Grupe - Coordinator

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#### 1. Chairperson's Remarks

Mary Pocius opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m., and welcomed all present.



2. Minutes of February 9, 1996 CAPIC Meeting

**Motion:** It was moved by Gil Simmons and seconded by Gerry Kennedy that the minutes of the February 9, 1996 CAPIC meeting be adopted. **Carried.**

3. Alternative Development Control Approaches

a) Presentation - Vladimir Matus

Vladimir Matus, Manager of Urban Design, Planning and Development Department, spoke on this subject. This approach has been introduced in various places, the City of Toronto on a experimental basis, and it was felt worthy of consideration and discussion in Hamilton. The attached handout, entitled Community Planning and Planning Controls, should be referred to for the bulk of his remarks. He addressed the philosophy of lan use planning, how the present zoning system evolved, and how it results in inflexibility in some ways. He also outlined the Toronto experiment to look at alternatives to zoning, being carried out in the King / Spadina and King / Parliament areas, and how the modified form of development control is used within these two areas.

Vladimir encouraged CAPIC to contact the Toronto Planning Dept. regarding their experiment, to discuss the pros and cons; and perhaps go there to visit and learn more. We should be open to learning about and understanding this concept.

b) Question and Answer, Discussion

During the subsequent discussion period, several questions were addressed:

- Q - which, if any, parts of the central area can benefit most from this approach ?
  - A - Gore Park area may be a candidate are, if important to preserve character - maybe one way to help preserve heritage, by proper infill; also some warehouse areas - CAPIC must understand approach, then seek best areas;
  - A - feel many demolished buildings could have been saved, with flexibility;
- Q - are land use planners willing to start thinking in this way ?
  - A - existing (zoning) system works well for boom times; but doesn't provide the flexibility desirable for today;
- Q - how do we adopt / implement this approach ?
  - A - replace zoning by-law with plans showing physical depiction of what is proposed, as done in recent Beasley Neighbourhood Plan;
- Q - concerns about dropping zoning rules in mixed use neighbourhood - residents want to know what to expect; what's allowed; be able to input and respond.
  - A - existing process does not have total predictability; basis for new system would be neighbourhood plan; residents decide design principles at outset, such as overall height and building envelope;
- Q - agree need to look at physical planning eg. preserve vistas; conform with area; don't frustrate developers; however, developers shouldn't be able get approvals too quickly.
  - A - yes, but acceptance would be based on conformity to approved physical plan;



- Q - Toronto is different from Hamilton - look at examples from other cities, if poss.
- Q - good example from Dundas of warehouse turned into condos - good adaptive reuse.
- Q - feel density does matter, as well as height - number of units and parking spaces.
- Q - how to prevent monster homes ? use building envelopes and performance standards.
- Q - why so few changes in planning since 1950's - why stuck in old mode so long ?
  - A - yes, zoning by-law originated in 1950's; some feel should be tailored more to current market, and Hamilton's needs; use compliance to health and building codes as more important constraints;
- Q - ask Nina her opinion of applicability of approach for Gore Park area.
  - A - she feels we need different approach than present zoning, which invites highrises; downzoning is unpopular. Feels need this approach, or similar - identify end result / goals; determine what community wants built in area. Yes must change course, to have Gore area survive;
- Q - can a trip be planned to Toronto Planning Dept., to find out directly from them more about their experiment on alternatives to zoning ? Send small task force, not large.
  - A - yes, Vanessa and Vladimir will arrange a trip. Those who indicated interest included Russell Elman, Rick Lintack, Gerry Kennedy, Gil Simmons and Mary Pocius, if their schedules permit. The group will visit Toronto, and report back to CAPIC, to decide next steps, eg. a charrette;
- Q - can we also invite Toronto staff to come here ?
  - A - maybe later, if they are agreeable, after we visit them. Perhaps a half day mini conference here, on this matter, well publicized; could invite high profile guest Barbara Hall; maybe link into Society of Architects charrette.

#### 4. Urban Design

##### a) Report of Sub-Committee and Staff

Vanessa said the urban design initiatives proposed by staff and the sub-committee are being carried forward as follows:

- The meeting of urban design staff from various municipalities is being arranged. About a dozen towns and cities have been contacted by phone, and almost all indicated their interest in attending such a meeting. They will be contacted by letter within the next few days and asked to indicate their preference for a meeting date. The meeting will likely be held during or around the first week of April. CAPIC members will be informed and invited to attend as observers.
- The Urban Design sub-committee last met on February 21, 1996, to discuss the other public education actions, such as speakers and filmstrips, and design awards as a long-term project.

##### b) Victoria Hall and MacKay Building

The meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee on these buildings was held on January 22, 1996. There still needs to be further follow-up from the very positive discussion at this meeting, in terms of such things as possible land exchanges, and the preparation of a request for proposals.



c) GO Transit Station

A tour of GO Station, hosted by LACAC, was held at noon hour on February 26, 1996. The progress on the station is very encouraging, including the mix of restoration of heritage features, and the bringing up to current standards of some features. The external and related improvements were also noted, such as the drastically improved lighting under the bridges at James and John Streets, next to the station.

d) Advisory Committee on GO Transit

Gil Simmons asked how the Advisory Committee on GO Transit and the Urban Design Sub-Committee would be merged, as agreed at the last meeting of CAPIC. She said that before the next meeting of CAPIC, these two sub-committees would meet jointly, to discuss all the issues that they are involved with, and the merging of their roles. Paul Ortmann felt that the train layover yard issue is very important, is not yet resolved, and must not be dropped from the mandate.

e) Hamilton Society of Architects Design Charrette

Rick Lintack provided a handout and comments regarding the downtown design charrette being organized by the Hamilton Society of Architects. This is intended to be a high profile event, with much media attention, and with a very practical emphasis. Each team will include people from many fields, including business people, architects, real estate agents, developers, etc. The event will be held during June 20 - 22, 1996. There are a number of factors to be determined, such as the location where it will be held. The HSA would like to solicit the support of the Downtown Development Corporation, CAPIC, and other groups. CAPIC's involvement would consist of moral support, and help with advertising and promoting the event; as well as pushing for actions required as a result of the charrette.

**Motion:** It was moved by Gil Simmons, seconded by Arthur Lomax, and carried unanimously, that CAPIC congratulate the Hamilton Society of Architects in undertaking the proposed downtown design charrette, and would be delighted to participate and provide whatever assistance is possible to those organizing the event.

In related discussion, it was suggested that CAPIC spend an hour in early June walking around the central area looking for "hot spots" and areas with opportunity for some of these new approaches being discussed.

5. Business Arising / New Business

a) Economics of Downtown

Mary Pocius had a discussion by FAX with Dr. David Foote, who was suggested earlier as a speaker / adviser on this matter. The matter of remuneration arose, as he would likely expect to be paid. She asked how else we could compensate him, such as through media coverage, since we likely cannot afford his usual fee range. She asked whether she should pursue inviting him to speak to a larger group, including CAPIC, DCDC, etc. She



feels the problems of the downtown start with economics, and that he is a very good speaker and expert in this area. He was on CBC television recently, and has a book coming out soon. Staff were asked to obtain the video of the recent Prime Time forum (of March 7 ?); and Mary will pursue through Book Villa and his publisher getting him to come out for an evening workshop or similar event, in exchange for some publicity.

b) St. Joseph's Hospital

There was discussion about the recent recommendation of the Task Force On Health Care to close St. Joseph's Hospital, and move the services to Henderson. There is much concern about the potential impact on the downtown, due to associated offices and services in the area dependent on St. Joseph's. It was noted that

**Motion:** It was moved by Russell Elman, seconded by Gil Simmons and carried, that CAPIC would like to make known to all concerned that it is very concerned about the ramifications of any closure of St. Joseph's Hospital on the central area and the associated businesses and neighbourhoods. It was asked that this motion be forwarded through Alderman Caplan, who sits on the Health Services Board, to be distributed as he sees fit.

6. Status Reports

a) Downtown Development Corporation

Mary Pocius noted the founding board is getting down to action, after much visioning and strategic thinking. Burlington has disbanded its DDC, in part since some felt not enough action was being taken, and Michael Fenn who was a driving force has moved on to Hamilton-Wentworth. There was discussion about the nature of strategic planning, which may be considered an approach to reaching long-term goals. It was felt CAPIC can play an important role in determining vision and focusing on it.

Initiatives and changes in planning controls for the downtown have included eliminating parking requirements for residential conversions; removing barriers in the "I" District, to encourage more residential; as well as convert-to-rent programs for unused space; and efforts towards legislation to allow redistribution of taxes in the downtown. It is hoped the DCDC will incorporate soon. Political will is very important, and all citizens of Hamilton must be made aware of problems and avenues to solving them.

b) Official Plan Review

Vanessa provided an update on the process and timeframe. The initial stage is to determine a vision for the City, which will involve public outreach such as meetings with stakeholder groups such as CAPIC and dozens of others. There will also be displays at the 4 major malls. Discussion of the vision will be the main item on the agenda for the April CAPIC meeting. The vision should include broad principles to guide the Plan.



7. Members Reports

- a) Russell Elman provided insights from his recent trip to Halifax. It is much like Hamilton, in that the downtown is dying, with much business being drawn to suburban big box retailers (like the Price Club). There are attempts to preserve 19th century heritage facades in the downtown, and rebuild a historic theatre. Their City Hall has one-stop shopping for all municipal permits. He also noted that Guelph has extensive tourist guides, and walking tours of heritage sites.  
Concerning James Mountain Road, he noted the minimum road was adopted at Council recently, with the least amount of width required. There are still concerns about the No Left Turn at Markland. LACAC has asked for an all day prohibition, due to the adjacent Heritage District.
- b) Manuel Ventura noted the Beasley Neighbourhood Plan is very different from previous such plans, especially in terms of its emphasis on design.
- c) Gerry Kennedy said she failed to see a direct relationship between converted residential units and crime; she felt there must be other factors, such as location.
- d) Gil Simmons said at a recent DCDC meeting, the redevelopment of the Health Building opposite the GO Station was discussed, although CAPIC has asked for its retention. At F & A, there had been a request to look at a parking facility on this site.
- e) Mary Pocius reported the International Village BIA has just added 4 new merchants, and had 3 buildings sold in the last 30 days. The redevelopment of 266-280 King St. E. will involve demolition of the building, which is a fire hazard, and building 120 - 128 new apartment units.

8. Next Meeting The next regular CAPIC meeting is scheduled for April 12, 1996.

9. Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.





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CENTRAL AREA PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

City Hall, Room 233

Friday, April 12, 1996

MEMBERS ATTENDING

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Russell Elman  
Gil Simmons  
Karen Wood  
Rick Lintack  
John Eyles  
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# GENERAL AREA PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

The General Area Plan Implementation Committee was organized in 1961 to coordinate the implementation of the General Area Plan. The Committee is composed of representatives from the following organizations:

- City of Chicago
- County of Cook
- Illinois State Police
- Illinois State Department of Transportation
- Illinois State Department of Public Safety
- Illinois State Department of Social Services
- Illinois State Department of Health
- Illinois State Department of Education
- Illinois State Department of Agriculture
- Illinois State Department of Labor
- Illinois State Department of Public Health
- Illinois State Department of Mental Health
- Illinois State Department of Corrections
- Illinois State Department of Probation and Parole
- Illinois State Department of Juvenile Justice
- Illinois State Department of Child Welfare
- Illinois State Department of Family Services
- Illinois State Department of Social Work
- Illinois State Department of Community Development
- Illinois State Department of Urban Affairs
- Illinois State Department of Housing and Community Development
- Illinois State Department of Economic Development
- Illinois State Department of Labor Relations
- Illinois State Department of Labor and Industry
- Illinois State Department of Labor and Commerce
- Illinois State Department of Labor and Resources
- Illinois State Department of Labor and Training
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- Illinois State Department of Labor and Well-being
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- Illinois State Department of Labor and Human Rights
- Illinois State Department of Labor and Social Justice
- Illinois State Department of Labor and Environmental Justice
- Illinois State Department of Labor and Racial Justice
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- Illinois State Department of Labor and Society Justice
- Illinois State Department of Labor and World Justice
- Illinois State Department of Labor and Universe Justice
- Illinois State Department of Labor and Everything Justice

The Committee's primary responsibility is to ensure that the General Area Plan is implemented in a timely and effective manner. To this end, the Committee has established a number of working groups and committees to address specific issues related to the plan's implementation. These groups include:

- Planning and Policy Committee
- Finance and Administration Committee
- Law and Ethics Committee
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- World Justice and Universe Justice Committee
- Everything Justice

The Committee also oversees the implementation of the General Area Plan's various programs and initiatives. These include:

- Urban Affairs Program
- Housing and Community Development Program
- Economic Development Program
- Labor and Industry Program
- Labor and Commerce Program
- Labor and Resources Program
- Labor and Training Program
- Labor and Welfare Program
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- Labor and Universe Justice Program
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The Committee's work is guided by the following principles:

- Transparency
- Integrity
- Honesty
- Fairness
- Justice
- Equality
- Inclusion
- Freedom
- Democracy
- Liberty
- Peace
- Prosperity
- Well-being
- Quality of Life
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1. Chairperson's Remarks

Mary Pocius opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. by welcoming all present. She noted that Arthur Lomax had been in hospital with a fractured hip, but was recovering well.

2. Minutes of March 8, 1996 CAPIC Meeting

The last 2 pages of the minutes were not included in the agenda package, and thus the minutes were deferred to the next meeting.

3. Gore Park - Proposed Bus Shelters

a) Presentation - Doug Reiger, H.S.R.

Bill O'Brien, Director of Transportation Services, H.S.R., noted that bus shelters for Gore Park are felt to be needed, and have been in the planning stages for several years. Doug Reiger, Transit Technician, H.S.R., provided a presentation on the proposed bus shelters:

- there are no rain shelters for 10,000 bus trips/day in and out of Gore Park;
- proposed shelters are Victorian in design - 2 in west half of park near fountain; and 2 in east half; one of each to be installed this year (eager to begin; 2 in 1997 after public input, if favourable response - otherwise remove and restore area;
- placement is all or mostly off sidewalk, to retain barrier-free sidewalk path;
- a photo rendering of the shelters was also provided; roof overhangs;
- no advertising is intended - this is preferred by most;
- benches in shelters are high, "easy-up" style - good for seniors;
- shelters will fit 15 - 20 people; 22 ft. long; have doors at both ends;
- can't bring shelters forward - would interfere with barrier-free path;
- placing shelters close to curb is not possible, since buses need about 3 - 4 ft. setback to allow turning into stop; poles are about this distance from curb;
- it will cost about \$15,000 to place the 2 shelters now, and about \$5,000 - \$6,000 to relocate them later, if necessary.

Comments / concerns regarding the bus shelters included the following:

- shelters not desirable close to the fountain - would obstruct views;
- all of Gore Park, "from wall to wall", must be addressed, before each feature;
- closure of Hughson Street, as envisaged in Mokrycke CBD study, felt even more applicable than before; HSR may be able to accommodate this;
- everything must be done to make bus use attractive - important to CBD;
- Victorian design may be more suitable for residential areas; flat roof preferred by some BIAs, etc., since less conspicuous;
- possibly use clear glass or acrylic material, to retain views; maybe awnings or cover whole sidewalk or street;
- shelters should be at bus stops, not between them, for rain shelter;
- cost of shelters at \$3,000 up is low compared to fountain at \$600,000.



Bill O'Brien has a slide presentation on Graham Ave., Winnipeg, which could be brought to CAPIC, showing excellent examples of integrated bus shelters and pedestrian amenities, done in an attractive, pedestrian-friendly manner;

b) Resolutions - The following position was established:

CAPIC wishes to reiterate its long-standing views regarding Gore Park, based on existing policy, and in light of CBD studies; downtown redevelopment initiatives (including Downtown Development Corporation); transportation studies (including Regional Transportation Review); etc. and the policies contained in these plans / initiatives related to Gore Park.

It is recommended by CAPIC that it is essential to plan the redevelopment of the Gore Park area in its entirety, and that there be an overall plan which addresses all matters, including the bus shelters.

CAPIC discussed at length the proposed bus shelters, and had a number of concerns, especially concerning the relation of the shelters to the fountain, and views to the fountain. If necessary, to expedite matters for this year, they may be willing to support the proposed shelters as an interim measure, to be relocated later when the long-term plan for Gore Park is approved, and a suitable location for the shelters determined.

4. Hamilton Official Plan Review - Vision

Several brochures on the O.P. review process and related issues had been mailed to members. Vanessa provided an overview of the Official Plan's purpose; need for review; timeframe; etc. The initial phase of the review is intended to develop a vision for the plan and the City, consisting of general goals, directions and basic principles. Vanessa asked for suggestions on how CAPIC wishes to discuss visions. Due to the length of time spent on the Gore bus shelters, this item will be tabled. A special meeting of CAPIC will be held on Friday, April 19 at 2:00 p.m. to discuss this matter. Vanessa will provide members with copies of relevant existing policies, visions and preambles from central area plans and official plans.

Concerning the O.P. brochure no. 8, it was asked why the area east of John Street was not included as part of the downtown area on the map, as it was felt to be important.

Official Plan Amendment No. 66 - The Central Area Plan - was repealed at the April 3 P & D Committee meeting. It was recommended by the City Law Dept. that OPA No. 66 be repealed to help settle a number of outstanding appeals by the Hamilton Harbour Commissioners. Repealing only the affected portions of the OPA was not considered sufficient. The Central Area Plan does exist even without OPA 66, and therefore the role of CAPIC is not affected by this. Vanessa will obtain further confirmation on this matter.

It was suggested CAPIC offer to co-host a workshop or forum on the O.P. vision.



Alderman Caplan and others congratulated Planning staff on the O.P. brochures. **Motion:** It was moved by Russell Elman, seconded by Gerry Kennedy and carried that CAPIC compliment the Planning and Development Department on the set of CityView brochures, which are felt to be a valuable initiative in launching an outreach process to involve Hamilton residents in the Official Plan review.

5. Urban Design

a) GO Transit / Urban Design Sub-Committee

Vanessa reported on discussions at the March 27 meeting (see separate minutes).

b) Visit to Toronto re Alternative Approaches to Development

Vladimir reported on the visit which occurred on March 28, with 5 members of staff and CAPIC attending. Members were encouraged to learn more about such innovative approaches. Flexibility is a major component, along with emphasis on design, rather than use and density. Response from developers has been very positive. It is hoped there will be enough interest to bring a larger group to Toronto for a tour and visit. Toronto staff are also willing to come here for a presentation. Members will be informed of possible dates.

c) Meeting of Urban Design Staff from Various Municipalities

This meeting was held on April 3, 1996, with staff from about 12 towns and cities and several members of CAPIC present. Many interesting ideas were exchanged, and several municipalities have much we can learn from. Another meeting is to be held shortly to share ideas further, and CAPIC members will be invited.

d) Hamilton Society of Architects Design Charrette

Rick Lintack provided an update on the charrette, to be held June 21 - 22. Staff assistance is needed to enable the event to happen in June, otherwise it may be in September. Alderman Caplan will meet today with Jim Thoms to discuss the staff coordinator needed. Venue was discussed.

6. Status Reports

a) Downtown Development Corporation

The organizational format was approved at the end of March. Much of the administrative framework is set; now emphasis can shift to more action.

b) Economics of Downtown

A Spectator article dated April 10, 1996 "Estimating the costs of relieving high taxes downtown", which indicated dollar figures for various levels of tax relief. The costs may be considered very low - up to \$10 or \$41 at most - especially when compared with lost



tax revenues and other costs of business vacancies. Members felt CAPIC should take a position on this most important issue. **Motion:** It was moved by Gil Simmons, seconded by Russell Elman and carried that CAPIC recommend to Planning and Development Committee that tax relief on business and realty tax for the downtown area be given serious consideration for action. This may involve either just the two downtown BIA's or the entire downtown area, as outlined in a recent report to Finance and Administration Committee.

It was felt by Alderman Caplan that there needs to be a specific, detailed plan on this matter, which is endorsed by DCDC, CAPIC, BIA's, etc. It must be reasonable, time-limited, and identify dollar amounts, any exemptions, and mechanisms for granting or loaning these monies back to owners for property improvements. He felt the DCDC may need to play the lead role in undertaking this. The resolution contained in the F & A report was too loosely worded, and was referred back for by-law options and costs.

c) James Mountain Road Project

Russell Elman said that the final recommendations include no sidewalks, likely no lay-bys, and preserve much of the road. Two recent project updates were included in the CAPIC agenda package. Copies of the E.A. document were received this week, and Planning staff have two copies, which Durand residents or others are welcome to borrow.

d) GO Transit Station

Opening dates are April 27 and 29, for bus and rail service. No date has been announced as yet for an official opening ceremony. Two related newspaper articles were noted.

7. Members Reports

There were none.

8. Next Meetings

A special meeting of CAPIC will be held on Friday, April 19 at 2:00 p.m. in Room 219, to discuss visions for the Official Plan review, carried over from today.

The next regular CAPIC meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 10, 1996.

9. Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.





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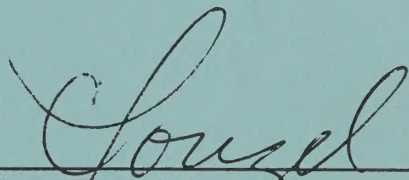
## NOTICE OF MEETING

### Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

Monday, 1996 September 9

12:00 o'clock noon

Room 264, City Hall

  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee

## A G E N D A

### 1. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario - Architectural Tours for remainder of 1996

### 2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1996 July 15

### 3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a) Bellevue - Current Status (no copy)
- b) Centenary United Church - Proposed Sign
- c) Stinson Street School - Proposed repair/replacement of slate roofing
- d) Custom House - Renovations for Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre (no copy)
- e) West Avenue School - landscaping and maintenance (no copy)
- f) Heritage Conservation Brochure (copy available at meeting)





4. **DIRECTOR, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

- a) Former St. George's Church and Sunday School - Conservation Review Board report and Designation recommendation
- b) Additions to Inventory - 151 Emerson Street and 276 Wellington Street North/230 Barton Street East

**UPDATES**

- c) Hamilton Courthouse Project - Heritage Permit
- d) St. Thomas Anglican Church - Proposed sale to City of Hamilton
- e) St. Mark's Centre (no copy)
- f) Relocation of Dundurn Aviary
- g) 1996 Designated and Commemorative Plaques (no copy)
- h) Gore Heritage Design Study (no copy)
- i) Stinson Neighbourhood Heritage Study (no copy)
- j) CN Station (no copy)

5. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

- a) Second Round Table Meeting of Hamilton-Wentworth Region LACACs
- b) Community Heritage Ontario - Notice of Annual General Meeting
- c) Letter from Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation - Cancellation of Heritage Funding

6. **COMMITTEE/SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Research Sub-committee - Minutes of meeting held 1996 July 30
- b) Hamilton Historical Board - Minutes of meeting held 1996 June 11
- c) Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee - Minutes of meeting held 1996 July 8

7. **OTHER BUSINESS**

8. **ADJOURNMENT**





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### 5. James Street North Walk

**Sunday September 8, 1996 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

**FREE**

A walking tour of James Street from Murray Street to Gore Park.

James Street North was the city's first major north south thoroughfare connecting the port to downtown. It is the site for many prominent buildings from all architectural periods of the last 150 years. The tour includes landmarks such as the Custom House, the Armouries, and Christ's Church Cathedral, among others.

Guide(s): Members of The Architectural Conservancy, Hamilton Region Branch.

Meet in front of the old CN Station, James Street North at Murray Street.

### 6. The Mountain Brow

**Sunday October 13, 1996 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

**FREE**

A walking tour along the escarpment from West 5th Street to the Jolley Cut.

From the ruins of the James Street Incline Railway to magnificent nineteenth century mansions such as Bellevue, Auchmar, and the homes along Bull's Lane, the escarpment has been marked by all ages of Hamilton's history.

Guide(s): Members of The Architectural Conservancy, Hamilton Region Branch.

Meet at the north parking lot of the Hamilton Psychiatric Hospital, 100 West 5th St.

### 7. The Churches of Hamilton

**Sunday November 10, 1996 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM**

**FREE**

A walking tour of historic downtown churches and their interiors.

Hamilton has a large selection of magnificent church architecture. This tour will focus on several church interiors.

These include St. Paul's Presbyterian, Centenary United and the Church of the Ascension among others.

Guide(s) Members of The Architectural Conservancy, Hamilton Region Branch and

Guides from several of the church parishes.

Meet at the southwest corner of James Street South and Jackson Street.

**For further tour information and confirmation please call:**

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**Please Note: These walks are of varying lengths and may include several areas of uneven terrain. Persons with health problems or physical disabilities are therefore advised to seek further information respecting the tour to determine their fitness to participate.**

**A.C.O. Volunteer Guides:**...Ken Coit, B.E.S., B. Arch, Intern Architect....Ann Gillespie, M.A., Heritage Planner....Rob Hamilton, M.L.I.S., President A.C.O. Hamilton Region Branch....Megan Hobson, PhD candidate (University of Toronto).....Jean Rosenfeld, PhD candidate (University of Guelph) Lecturer McMaster University....Sharon Vattay, PhD candidate (University of Toronto)



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Monday, 1996 July 15  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 233, City Hall

The Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee met.

There were present:

Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Reg Wheeler, Vice-Chairperson  
Alderman William McCulloch  
Alderman Frank D'Amico  
Jane Rigby  
John Mokrycke  
Brian Henley  
Rob Hamilton  
Jeff Steadman

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Regrets:

Rob Brough

Also present:

Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department  
Ann Gillespie, Planning and Development Department  
Joy Dubbeld, Planning and Development Department  
Mary Pocius, Central Area Plan Implementation Committee  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary

1. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

a) Hamilton GO Centre - Official Opening

The Committee was in receipt of a copy of the invitation for the official opening of the Hamilton GO Centre on 1996 July 12.

Brian Henley advised Committee Members that the opening was well attended and was pleased to report that the restoration of the former TH&B Station was an integral part of the ceremony.

After some discussion, the Committee approved the following:

That a letter be sent to David Hobbs, Chairman, GO Transit, expressing the Committee's appreciation of GO Transit's efforts to restore the architecturally and historically significant TH&B Station.

b) Robert Smiley Plaque Unveiling

Alderman McCulloch advised Committee Members that earlier today, the Spectator unveiled a plaque at 16 East Avenue North, in recognition and commemoration of Robert Smiley, founder of The Spectator. A photograph of 16 East Avenue North, the home of Robert Smiley, was circulated for the Committee's information.

c) Commemorative Plaque - Suggestions for 1996

Diane Dent advised Committee Members that funds are available for one Commemorative Plaque in 1996 and that the Committee's input on potential plaquing sites has been requested by the Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee.

The following sites were suggested for a Commemorative Plaque, including potential Designated Property Plaque locations:

- a) MacNab/Charles Heritage Conservation District
- b) Westdale Area

- c) Laidlaw Foundry building, located at the south-east corner of Mary Street and Cannon Street
- d) 252 James Street South, located at the south-west corner of Herkimer Street and James Street South
- e) 1 Markland Street (Durand-Markland Heritage Conservation District)
- f) T. H. & B. Station/Hamilton GO Centre
- g) CN Station
- h) Former Radial Line - Mapleside Avenue near Aberdeen Avenue

The Committee agreed to forward the above-noted suggestions to the Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee for consideration.

d) **Gore Park Fountain**

Diane Dent reported on the status of the Gore Park fountain.

Brian Henley advised Committee Members that a public event to raise funds for the restoration of the fountain will be held later this month.

2. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The Committee was in receipt of the Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1996 June 10. These Minutes were adopted as circulated.

3. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

a) **Properties Listed for Sale in Downtown Core**

The Committee was in receipt of a memorandum dated 1996 June 18 from the Manager, Real Estate Division, Property Department, identifying the properties currently listed for sale through the Metropolitan Hamilton Real Estate Board on King Street East between James Street and Wellington Street. This memorandum was received as circulated.

The Committee approved the following:

That a letter of thanks be sent to the Real Estate Division, Property Department, for providing the Committee with this information.

Alderman D'Amico was also thanked for suggesting that this information be compiled and kept on file for future reference.

Some discussion then ensued on the boundaries of the downtown "core" and it was agreed that these boundaries should be defined. Mary Pocius, Chairperson, Central Area Plan Implementation Committee, was asked to take this request back to her Committee for a response.

Further to the above, Mary Pocius was congratulated on her recent appointment as the new Chairperson of the Central Area Plan Implementation Committee.



b) Heritage Community Recognition Program

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 July 5 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Nina Chapple advised Committee Members that the Nomination Form recommending Rob Brough for this Award has been submitted and will keep the Committee informed when Award recipients are announced.

c) St. Thomas' Anglican Church

Joy Dubbeld, Planning and Development Department, advised Committee Members that in speaking with a representative of St. Thomas' Anglican Church that the heritage artifacts of the Church will be deaccessioned. The flags will be moved to Christ Church Cathedral and the military plaques will be relocated to All Saints Church.

4. DIRECTOR, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

a) Hamilton Courthouse Project

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 July 5 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Jane Rigby, Chairperson, Research Sub-Committee, advised that negotiations with the Project Architect are ongoing respecting the designated postal lobby at the Hamilton Courthouse.

After some discussion, the Committee approved the following:

That the authority to make a recommendation to the Planning and Development Committee regarding the Heritage Permit required for the Hamilton Courthouse project be delegated to the Research Sub-Committee.

Committee Members will be advised when the Research Sub-Committee meets to discuss this matter should they wish to attend this meeting.

The Committee also received for information a newspaper article entitled "Crime Victim Program Boosted" that appeared in The Spectator on 1996 June 25 which includes the estimated cost of the project which is scheduled to open in the fall of 1998.

b) Stinson Street School - Proposal to Repair/Replace Slate Roofing

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 July 5 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Nina Chapple advised Committee Members that the estimated cost to replace the slate roof at Stinson Street School is \$500,000 - \$600,000.

The Committee was advised that the Board of Education for the City of Hamilton has discussed the following options respecting this matter:

- Option 1 Full restoration of the slate tile roof
- Option 2 Restoration of the slate roof on the north face of the north tower with replacement of remaining slate tile roof using premium asphalt shingles
- Option 3 Replacement of slate tile roof with premium asphalt shingles

Staff were asked to contact the Board of Education for the City of Hamilton encouraging them to obtain additional quotations and to provide them with additional names of slate roofers.

After some discussion, the Committee approved the following:

That the authority to make a recommendation to the Planning and Development Committee regarding a heritage permit required for the repair/replacement of the slate roof at Stinson Street School be delegated to the Research Sub-Committee.

Diane Dent suggested that the Research Sub-Committee contact representatives from Stinson Street School so that they can be made aware of the status of this project before a report is presented to the Planning and Development Committee.

c) **Hamilton Society of Architects - Sesquicentennial Design Celebration**

i) **Sesquicentennial Design Awards**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 July 4 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Committee Members were advised that Victoria Hall, which was nominated by the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee, received a Hamilton Society of Architects' Sesquicentennial Design Award of Excellence.

ii) **Hamilton Downtown Charrette**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 July 5 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

John Mokrycke advised Committee Members that the individual teams have until the end of 1996 August to submit their reports so that a final report can be prepared. It is hoped that the final report will be presented to City Council in 1996 September.

John Mokrycke advised Committee Members that as a result of the Downtown Charrette, two Committees (2 way streets and open spaces) have been established. Committee Members interested in serving on either of these Committees were asked to contact John Sewell, a former Mayor of the City of Toronto and a foremost authority on urban matters.



Mary Pocius, International Village Business Improvement Area, advised Committee Members that The Spectator plans to publish the teams' comments and recommendations beginning the end of 1996 August.

John Mokrycke added that the information collected at this Charrette may also be placed on the Internet.

After some discussion, the Committee approved the following:

That a letter be sent to the Hamilton Society of Architects thanking them for their efforts in organizing the Downtown Charrette.

d) **Gore Heritage Design Study**

A copy of the Draft Gore Heritage Design Study, copies of which are available in the Planning and Development Department, was circulated for the Committee's information.

Nina Chapple indicated that she will prepare a summary of the Design Study for presentation at the Committee's 1996 September meeting.

Committee Members were asked to forward their comments on this report to Nina Chapple by 1996 September 2 so that these comments and/or suggestions can be incorporated into the final report that will be presented to the Planning and Development Committee on 1996 September 18.

e) **Custom House/Ontario Workers Arts and Heritage Centre**

The Committee received for information a copy of an article entitled "Rebuilding History - Heritage Centre Gives New Life to Historic Custom House" that appeared in The Spectator on 1996 June 20.

The Committee still had some concerns respecting the cost to restore and repair the existing basement windows and window wells on the building's north facade. The Committee approved the following:

That Staff be requested to investigate the status of the restoration of the basement windows and window wells on the north facade of the Custom House including the cost involved and the quotations received and report back to the Committee at its next meeting.

Jane Rigby expressed her concerns respecting the condition of the designated features on the building's first floor given the work that is presently being undertaken on site. Staff were asked to conduct a site visit and report back at the next meeting.

f) **Victoria Hall - Heritage Recording by Parks Canada**

The Committee was in receipt of a letter dated 1996 June 12 from the Heritage Conservation Program, Public Works and Government Services Canada, respecting the recording of the designated features of Victoria Hall.

Nina Chapple advised Committee Members that Public Works and Government Services Canada has documented the building which will serve as a practical and archival resource to the Committee.

Alderman McCulloch advised Committee Members that he has received a letter from a Developer who is interested in using the first floor of Victoria Hall. The Regional Chairman has agreed to meet with the Developer to discuss further and Alderman McCulloch agreed to keep the Committee informed of the progress of this meeting.

The Committee agreed to send a letter to David House, Director of Project Development, Adason Property Limited, thanking him for his interest in Victoria Hall.

g) **St. Paul's Presbyterian Church - Approval of Technical Consulting Service**

The Committee was in receipt of a letter dated 1996 July 3 from Paul King, Technical/Education Advisor for the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation, respecting the above-noted matter and were advised that a site visit is being scheduled.

h) **Dundurn Castle Stable Building - Renovations Per Conference Centre**

The Committee was in receipt of a letter dated 1996 June 10 from Peter Elliott, Property Administrator - Easements, Ontario Heritage Foundation, confirming that the Ontario Heritage Foundation finds the proposed renovations to the stable building at Dundurn Castle acceptable under the terms of the Heritage Conservation Easement Agreement. This letter was received as circulated.

Nina Chapple was however, asked to contact the Culture and Recreation Department to ensure that its restoration plans do not include the removal of any trees in the area.

i) **West Avenue School - Official Re-opening of Court Yard**

Committee Members were advised that the official re-opening of the Courtyard at West Avenue School was held on 1996 June 15. Photographs of the ceremony were circulated for the Committee's information.

Some concerns were raised that the trees have been planted too close to the building and that the exterior of the building has received little maintenance. Nina Chapple agreed to contact the Manager, Parks Division, Department of Public Works and Traffic, to express the Committee's concerns respecting the maintenance of this City-owned building.

j) **St. Mark's Centre**

Committee Members were advised that the Spiral Garden's funding application to the Rotary Club was not successful.

Nina Chapple indicated however that individuals are investigating this location as a potential site for a Health Centre.

k) **Bellevue**

Committee Members were advised that Staff recently visited the site and reported that the grounds and the building are in a poor state of repair. Staff agreed to continue its investigation to determine the property owners and will report back at the next meeting.



The Committee agreed to place this item at the top of the agenda for the next meeting.

1) Centenary United Church

Committee Members were advised that Centenary United Church, a building listed on the City's Inventory of Buildings of Architectural/Historical Interest, is considering erecting a single sided fascia sign (10' high x 8'6" wide) highlighted with a yellow neon border, on the south-west corner of the Church.

Committee Members were advised that there are no legal restrictions under the Ontario Heritage Act respecting signs.

After some discussion, the Committee approved the following:

That a letter be sent to Centenary United Church advising that they must apply for a building permit to erect a sign on their property.

It was suggested that Nina Chapple contact Trevor Garwood-Jones for his comments on this matter.

5. COMMITTEE/SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Committee received for information, the following Committee/Sub-Committee Minutes as circulated with the agenda:

- a) Hamilton Historical Board - 1996 May 14
- b) Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee - 1996 June 10
- c) CAPIC - 1996 March 8 and 1996 April 12

6. OTHER BUSINESS

a) Terminal Hotel

A photograph of the Terminal Hotel, a building listed on the City's Inventory of Buildings of Architectural/Historical Interest, which was recently destroyed by a fire, was circulated for the Committee's information.

Mary Pocius advised Committee Members that the Terminal Hotel Heritage Inventory Plaque will be retained and used as a prototype for this category of plaque.

b) Architectural Conservancy of Ontario - Tours

Rob Hamilton advised Committee Members that the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario, Hamilton Region Branch, conducted a tour of the City's Downtown, including Gore Park, on Sunday, 1996 July 14. Rob Hamilton thanked Nina Chapple and Heritage Planning Staff for the resources provided for this tour.

Committee Members were advised that the next tour by the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario, Hamilton Region Branch, will focus on historical landscapes and will be held on Sunday, 1996 August 18.

The Secretary was asked to include a list of the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario tours in the next agenda package for the Committee's information.

c) **Rob Brough - Leave of Absence**

Committee Members were advised that Rob Brough has taken a leave of absence from the Committee given out of town job commitments.

d) **Heritage Conservation Brochure**

A copy of the Heritage Conservation Brochure as prepared by Joy Dubbeld, Planning and Development Department, which describes the process, purpose and effect of designation under the Ontario Heritage Act as well as how to obtain information on historic buildings in Hamilton was circulated for the Committee's information. The Secretary was asked to place this item on the next agenda for discussion.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

**Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee**

**Charlene Touzel, Secretary**



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**CITY OF HAMILTON**

**- INFORMATION -**

**DATE:** 1996 August 29

**REPORT TO:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

**FROM:** V. J. Abraham, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.  
Director of Planning and Development

**SUBJECT:** Centenary United Church - proposed sign

Following the letter first sent to Centenary's Building Committee advising that a Building Permit would be required for the installation of the proposed sign, the issue was discussed by the Research Sub-committee at its last meeting held 1996 July 30 and the attached letter sent.

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## LOCAL ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

August 7, 1996

Mr. James Stokes  
Building Committee  
Centenary United Church  
24 Main Street West  
Hamilton, Ontario L8P 1H2

Dear Mr. Stokes:

I refer to the letter of July 24, 1996, in which the Secretary of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee (LACAC), Charlene Touzel, advised you that the matter of the installation of a sign on the south-west corner of Centenary United Church would be discussed by the LACAC Research Sub-committee. The church is recognised as a heritage building and is listed on the Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest. While listing does not imply any legal restrictions, it is the mandate of LACAC to promote the preservation of Hamilton's heritage.

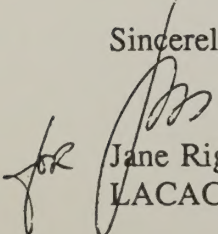
The LACAC Research Sub-committee, at its meeting of July 30, 1996, discussed the proposal and had the following comments:

While the need and desire to have a sign was understood, the placement of a large scale back-lit sign on the church structure was considered a detraction from the fine architectural quality of the building.

LACAC is well acquainted with the recent restoration of and addition to Centenary United Church, since they reviewed the plans at the time. Research Sub-committee members were concerned that a sign of this size would be attached to the recently restored facade, which could cause some physical damage to the brick as well as hide important architectural features. It was felt that if a sign of this nature were deemed necessary, that it would be far preferable to install a sign next to rather than on the building itself.

The Sub-committee is urging Centenary United Church to reconsider this matter. If you have any questions, please call staff in Heritage Planning (905) 546-4441.

Sincerely,

 Jane Rigby, Chairman  
LACAC Research Sub-committee

cc: J. Allen, Brooks Signs  
City of Hamilton Building Department



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## CITY OF HAMILTON

### - INFORMATION -

**DATE:** 1996 August 30

**REPORT TO:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

**FROM:** V. J. Abraham, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.  
Director of Planning and Development

**SUBJECT:** Stinson Street School - proposed repair/ replacement of  
slate roofing

Following discussion at the last LACAC Research Sub-committee meeting of the options proposed by the Board of Education for the repair/ replacement of the slate roofing on both the original school and later addition, it was agreed that a letter should be sent to advise the Board of the preferred alternatives (copy of letter attached).

Heritage Planning staff have since learned from Mr. Duane O'Connor, Manager of Design Services for the Board that only structural work will be done this summer; the repair or replacement of the slate roof has been deferred until 1997 and no final decision with respect to the various options has yet been made.

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## LOCAL ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

August 8, 1996

Mr. Duane G. O'Connor, P.Eng.  
Manager Design Services  
The Board of Education for  
the City of Hamilton  
100 Main Street West  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L8N 3L1

Deliver by hand

Dear Mr. O'Connor:

**Re: Stinson Street School, 180 Grant Avenue - Proposal to Repair/Replace Slate Roofing**

Your letter of June 27, 1996 to Nina Chapple was circulated to the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee (LACAC) at its meeting of July 15, 1996. LACAC delegated authority to make a recommendation to the Planning and Development Committee regarding a Heritage Permit for the above proposal to the Research Sub-committee (memorandum attached).

The matter was discussed at the July 30, 1996 LACAC Research Sub-committee meeting.

It was noted by the Research Sub-committee that the necessary application for a Building Permit had not yet been made.

LACAC has been concerned about the roof for a period of time. In 1989/90, at the time of the designation of Stinson Street School and Cultural Facilities Improvement Program (CFIP) grant, both LACAC and the Head of the Lake Historical Society expressed concern about the maintenance of the slate roofing. This concern was reiterated at the time of a site visit in 1991 when an application was made for Heritage Funding.

While the Research Sub-committee sympathised with the budgetary constraints of the Hamilton Board of Education, it questioned the long term benefits of the premium asphalt shingle ("shangle"), which was not deemed to be a viable alternative to slate.



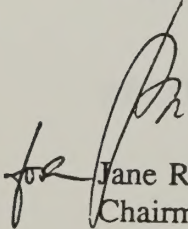
Alternatives to the asphalt shingle were discussed, including the following, in order of preference:

- 1) The roofing could be phased over a two year period/done in stages. If the roof of the building most in need of repair/replacement could be done one year and the roof of the second building the following year, the budget allowance may permit both buildings to be roofed in slate. Slate would have a longer life span than asphalt and pay for itself in the long term.
- 2) If the first preference is not possible, the second alternative would be to repair/reroof the northernmost building in slate and the southernmost building in substitute slate.

Concern was expressed at the removal of slate from the northernmost building, for while recycling of the good slate is desirable and economical, extra care would have to be taken in its removal.

I understand that Heritage Planning staff has advised you of two additional slate roofing companies. Should you have any comments or questions, please call them at (905) 546-4441.

Sincerely,



Jane Rigby  
Chairman  
LACAC Research Sub-committee

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**CITY OF HAMILTON**  
**- RECOMMENDATION -**

**DATE:** 1996 August 30

**REPORT TO:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

**FROM:** V. J. Abraham, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.  
Director of Planning and Development

**SUBJECT:** Former St. George's Anglican Church and Sunday School, 137 Strathcona Avenue North/ 10 Tom Street  
- report of the Conservation Review Board and designation recommendation

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- a) That the report of the Conservation Review Board recommending designation of the former St. George's Anglican Church and Sunday School at 137 Strathcona Avenue North/ 10 Tom Street be adopted and that the church property be designated pursuant to the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act.
- b) That the attached by-law designating the property at 137 Strathcona Avenue North/ 10 Tom Street be approved.

*V. J. Abraham*

*Ann Gillespie*  
*for*  
*Nina Chapple*

**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS: N/A**

**BACKGROUND:**

City Council approved an "Intention to Designate" the former St. George's Anglican Church and Sunday School at its meeting held 1994 May 31. During the 30-day advertising period required under the Ontario Heritage Act, the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara formally objected to the intended designation of the church. In accordance with the Act, a Conservation Review Board hearing was convened; it was, however, adjourned on 1995 February 9.

The property was subsequently sold to the Hamilton Christian Fellowship organization. The new owners did not object to the proposed heritage designation. The Conservation Review Board hearing was reconvened on 1996 May 9. The Board's findings and recommendations are summarized in the attached report (Appendix "A").

The Reasons for Designation are attached as Schedule "B" to the by-law.



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## APPENDIX "A"

**RE: CITY OF HAMILTON - INTENTION TO DESIGNATE  
ST. GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH  
10 TOM STREET, HAMILTON, ONTARIO**

Heather Broadbent, Vice-Chairman  
Nathalie Boutet, Member

May 9, 1996

A hearing of the Conservation Review Board was reconvened on May 9, 1996 to hear evidence on whether the property known as both 10 Tom Street and 137 Strathcona Avenue and formerly as St. George's Anglican Church, Hamilton, Ontario should be designated under the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18. The hearing was held in the Council Chambers of City Hall and was to conclude the hearing started on February 9, 1995.

Originally the heritage designation was contested by the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara through Simpson, Wigle Barristers and Solicitors.

For the City of Hamilton: Debbie Gagnon  
Art Zuidema  
Nina Chapple

In the report and accompanying letter of the first hearing, held on February 9, 1995, the Board asked the LACAC of the City of Hamilton if the alterations to the Church had changed the reasons for designation and if the LACAC continued to support the designation.

At the start of the hearing, Counsel for the City introduced two exhibits. The first was a copy of a letter from Gerald B. Aggus of Simpson, Wigle, dated June 14, 1995, notifying the Secretary of the Board that a sale had been completed between his client, the Synod of the Diocese of Niagara to the Hamilton Christian Fellowship. Mr. Aggus's letter also stated that the Synod no longer objected to the designation by the City of Hamilton of the Church and Sunday School building.

The second exhibit was from Pastor Bruce A. Woods of the Hamilton Christian Fellowship to Art Zuidema notifying the City that the Fellowship did not object to the designation.



Witness Nina Chapple, at the request of the Board, used exhibits to present the history of the two buildings and confirmed for the Board that although some historical elements had been changed or removed, the most important elements of historical integrity and architecture of the building remained. Ms. Chapple confirmed that the LACAC had not changed its recommendation to the City of Hamilton and continues to support completion of the designation.

In the matter of removals and alterations, Nina Chapple pointed out that most interior alterations were cosmetic, principally to woodwork and painting. These elements do not impact significantly on the reasons for designation and could be restored in the future. These alterations had in fact alerted the LACAC to the need to develop a policy for dealing with this type of alteration. To date this policy is not written but will be done. The most serious alteration was to the windows when the original stained glass was taken to All Saints, King & Queen Streets, Hamilton and stored (Exhibit 6). It is believed that the windows are still there but will eventually be installed in a new narthex to be built in the future. Ms. Chapple also informed the Board that the second building on site, the Sunday School, has been refurbished, painted and is rented out.

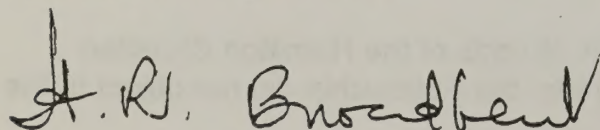
Finding of Fact:

The historic Church and Sunday School retain (for the most part) their historical and architectural integrity and in the opinion of the witness, supported by LACAC, are still worthy of designation. The new owners have confirmed that there is no objection to heritage designation.

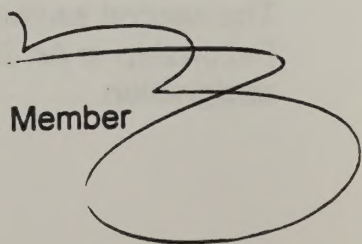
One of the important historical elements, the stained glass window memorials, have been removed and stored in another church of the same parish. It is the recommendation of the Board that the Hamilton LACAC give due consideration to recommending designation of these historic and important memorial windows in their new location so that their original place and history is recorded.

Recommendation:

It is recommended to the City of Hamilton that the building known formerly as St. George's Anglican Church and Sunday School but now as the Church of Hamilton Christian Fellowship, located at both 10 Tom Street and 137 Strathcona Avenue North, be designated under the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O 1990, for their historical and architectural significance.



Heather Broadbent, Vice-Chairman



Nathalie Boutet, Member



The Corporation of the City of Hamilton

BY-LAW NO. 96-

To Designate:

**THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS ST. GEORGE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH  
AND SUNDAY SCHOOL  
LAND LOCATED AT MUNICIPAL NO. 137 STRATHCONA AVENUE NORTH  
(10 TOM STREET)**

As Property of:

**HISTORIC AND ARCHITECTURAL VALUE AND INTEREST**

**WHEREAS** the Council of The Corporation of the City of Hamilton did give notice of its intention to designate the property mentioned in section 1 of this by-law in accordance with subsection 29(3) of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18;

**AND WHEREAS** the Conservation Review Board made a report as required by the said Act;

**AND WHEREAS** it is desired to designate the property mentioned in section 1 of this by-law in accordance with clause 29(14)(a) of the said Act.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of The Corporation of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. The property known as St. George's Anglican Church and Sunday School, located at Municipal No. 137 Strathcona Avenue (10 Tom Street) and more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto annexed and forming part of this by-law, is hereby designated as property of historic and architectural value and interest.
2. The City Solicitor is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this by-law, together with reasons for the designation set out in Schedule "B" hereto annexed and forming part of this by-law, to be registered against the property affected in the proper registry office.
3. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed,
  - (i) to cause a copy of this by-law, together with reasons for the designation, to be served on the owner and The Ontario Heritage Foundation by personal service or by registered mail;
  - (ii) to publish a notice of this by-law once in a newspaper having general circulation in the Municipality of the City of Hamilton.

**PASSED** this

day of

A.D. 1996

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

Schedule "A"

To

By-law No. 96-

St. George's Anglican Church and Sunday School  
137 Strathcona Avenue (10 Tom Street), Hamilton, Ontario

In the City of Hamilton, in the Regional Municipality of Hamilton-Wentworth  
and being composed of:

**FIRSTLY:** Part of Lots 42 and 43 fronting on the west side of Strathcona Avenue (formerly Sophia Street) in the block bounded by Tom, Davenport, York and Strathcona Avenue (formerly Sophia Street) in Sir Allan Napier MacNab's Survey in the said City of Hamilton, and which may be more particularly described as follows, that is to say:

**COMMENCING** at a point on the west limit of Strathcona Avenue distant 79 feet northerly from the south-east angle of Lot 41 in the said survey;

**THENCE** northerly along west limit of Strathcona Avenue, 36 feet to a point;

**THENCE** westerly parallel to the southerly limit of said Lot 41, 100 feet more or less to a point 50 feet easterly from the west limit of said Lot 43, which point is on the boundary of St. George's Church property acquired by Deed No. 69393;

**THENCE** southerly parallel to the west limit of Strathcona Avenue, 36 feet more or less to the lands now owned by St. George's Church as deeded to them by No. 106670 N.S. which point is distant 79 feet from the north limit of Tom Street.

**THENCE** easterly and parallel to the northerly limit of Tom Street, 100 feet ore or less to the place of beginning;

**SECONDLY:** Parts of Lots Numbers 41 and 42 fronting on the west side of Strathcona Avenue (formerly Sophia Street) in the block bounded by Tom, Davenport, York and Strathcona Avenue (formerly Sophia Street) in Sir Allan Napier MacNab's Survey and which may be more particularly described as follows, that is to say:

**COMMENCING** at a point on the west limit of Strathcona Avenue distant 50 feet northerly from the south-east angle of said Lot 41;

**THENCE** northerly along the west limit of Strathcona Avenue, 29 feet more or less to a point;



**THENCE** westerly parallel to the southerly limit of said Lot 41, 100 feet more or less to a point 50 feet more or less easterly from the west limit of said Lot 42, and which point is on the boundary of St. George's Church property acquired by Deed No. 69393;

**THENCE** southerly parallel to the west limit of Strathcona Avenue, 29 feet more or less to the lands now owned by St. George's Church as deeded to them by No. 44837; which point is distant 50 feet more or less from the north limit of Tom Street;

**THENCE** easterly and parallel to the northerly limit of Tom Street, 100 feet more or less to the place of beginning.

**THIRDLY:** Part of Lots Number 41, 42 and 43 fronting on Strathcona Avenue (formerly Sophia Street) in the block bounded by Tom, Davenport and York Streets, more particularly described as follows:

**COMMENCING** at a point in the northerly margin of Tom Street which point is distant 100 feet more or less westerly from the north-west corner of Sophia and Tom Street;

**THENCE** northerly parallel with Sophia Street, 150 feet more or less to the northerly boundary of said Lot 43;

**THENCE** westerly along the northerly boundary of said Lot 43, 50 feet more or less to the north-west angle of said Lot 43;

**THENCE** southerly along the westerly boundary of said Lots 41, 42 and 43, 150 feet more or less to Tom Street;

**THENCE** easterly along the northerly margin of Tom Street, 50 feet more or less to the place of beginning;

**FOURTHLY:** the southerly part of Lot Number 41 in the block bounded by Tom, Davenport, York and Strathcona Avenue (formerly Sophia Street) according to the plan of survey made for Sir Allan N. McNab more particularly described as follows:

**COMMENCING** on the south easterly corner of the said Lot;

**THENCE** northerly along the westerly boundary of Strathcona Avenue (formerly Sophia Street), 50 feet to a post;

**THENCE** westerly parallel to Tom Street, 100 feet to a post;

**THENCE** southerly parallel to Strathcona Avenue (formerly Sophia Street), 50 feet to the northerly margin of Tom Street;

**THENCE** easterly along Tom Street to the place of beginning;

All as described in Instrument No. VM211074.

## Schedule "B"

to

By-law No. 96-

### Former St. George's Anglican Church and Sunday School

137 Strathcona Avenue North  
(10 Tom Street, Hamilton)

#### Context

Built in 1890, St. George's Anglican Church is situated at the north-west corner of Tom Street and Strathcona Avenue North between Victoria Park and Dundurn Park. This attractive, unpretentious Gothic Revival church and its adjacent Sunday school fit comfortably into the surrounding late 19th/early 20th century residential neighbourhood, with its pleasant mix of modest one-storey frame houses and larger two-storey brick dwellings. The low-rise character of the church setting is interrupted only by the apartment tower to the south-east of St. George's, built on the large site of the former Semmens & Evel Casket Company.

#### Architecture

Built in the Gothic Revival style, St. George's is typical of the Anglican parish churches erected in the late 19th century to serve Hamilton's expanding neighbourhoods. The characteristic steeply-pitched roof, belfry, buttressed brick facade, and pointed-arched windows of St. George's can also be found in St. Luke's in the north end (1889); St. Mark's (1878) and St. John the Evangelist (1892) in the south end; and St. Matthew's (1887, demolished) and St. Peter's (1892, later rebuilt) in the east end. Although simple and unadorned, this form of the gothic parish church has its roots in the rich tradition of English church architecture.

Credited to Hamilton architect J. H. Young, the church was constructed in 1890 and extended easterly by two bays in 1902, creating a new facade on Strathcona North with corbelled brick decoration and a triple gothic window. The interior sanctuary consists of one, entirely open space, featuring exposed roof trusses, and some fine stained-glass windows. In 1925, the entrance vestibule was added to the front facade. Taken altogether, the pleasing simplicity of design and the balance of proportions make St. George's an architecturally distinguished neighbourhood landmark.

In 1911, the Reverend Frederick E. Howitt, noted both locally and internationally for his work in religious education, undertook the construction next door of a major Sunday school. Set back from Tom Street, the Sunday school building is a tall, brick structure comparable to the church in height and scale. Its exterior treatment is unusual with elaborate brick corbelling on the gable front and widely spaced Tudor-arched windows; the interior Sunday school layout consists of a large, two-storey open room containing classrooms and a mezzanine on three sides. Although the church schoolhouse was a popular addition in the 1890's, St. George's example is unusually large for the size of the church; as a free-standing church school, it is a relatively rare building type today. Formerly accommodating as many as 900 children, the school stands as a testimony to the value that St. George's parish placed on education.

These two brick buildings, church and school, are situated at right angles to each other around a grassed forecourt. Together, they form an interesting architectural complex which enhances the urban character of the neighbourhood.



### History

Opened as St. George's Chapel of Ease, the church was built to serve parishioners in the west end of the Parish of All Saints. Only three years later, St. George's became a separate parish, defined as the area westward from Locke and Locomotive (Ray, north of York) Streets to the Ascension (Hamilton) Cemetery and from Main Street to the harbour. By the turn of the century, St. George's Church was an important institution within the thriving West End neighbourhood.

The period of major expansion for St. George's Church and Parish corresponds to the thirty-one year ministry of its third rector, Reverend Frederick E. Howitt, appointed in 1895 and made a canon in 1914. St. George's prominence within Hamilton's Anglican community may be largely attributed to his dedicated and inspirational service. As a gifted preacher and teacher, Canon Howitt attracted large audiences to regular services at St. George's and gave religious instruction to classes throughout the city. Moreover, Howitt's influence extended far beyond the local Anglican community through his work as a missionary and speaker across Canada and the United States.

Another prominent figure in the history of St. George's was its sixth rector, the Reverend Donald H. MacLennan (1941-1966), who made a substantial contribution to the missionary and religious education work begun by Canon Howitt and subsequently associated with St. George's.

### Designated Features

Important to the preservation of St. George's Anglican Church are the original features of all four facades of the church, including the brick masonry walls and stone foundation, buttresses, belfry, pointed-arched windows with stone sills, the stained glass windows, doors; the interior sanctuary, including the walls, windows, interior roof trusses and original wood panelling; and all four exterior facades of the adjacent Sunday school, including walls, windows, and the interior open space with its classrooms and mezzanine.

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CITY OF HAMILTON  
- RECOMMENDATION -

**DATE:** 1996 August 29

**REPORT TO:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

**FROM:** V. J. Abraham, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.  
Director of Planning and Development

**SUBJECT:** Additions to Inventory - 151 Emerson Street;  
230 Barton Street East/ 276 Wellington Street North

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the following two commercial buildings be added to the City's *Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and Historical Interest*:

151 Emerson Street (built circa 1910 in the original village of West Hamilton)

230 Barton Street East / 276 Wellington Street North (corner building erected circa 1890)

*V. J. Abraham*

*Ann Gillespie*  
for  
*Nika Chapple*

**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:** N/A

**BACKGROUND:**

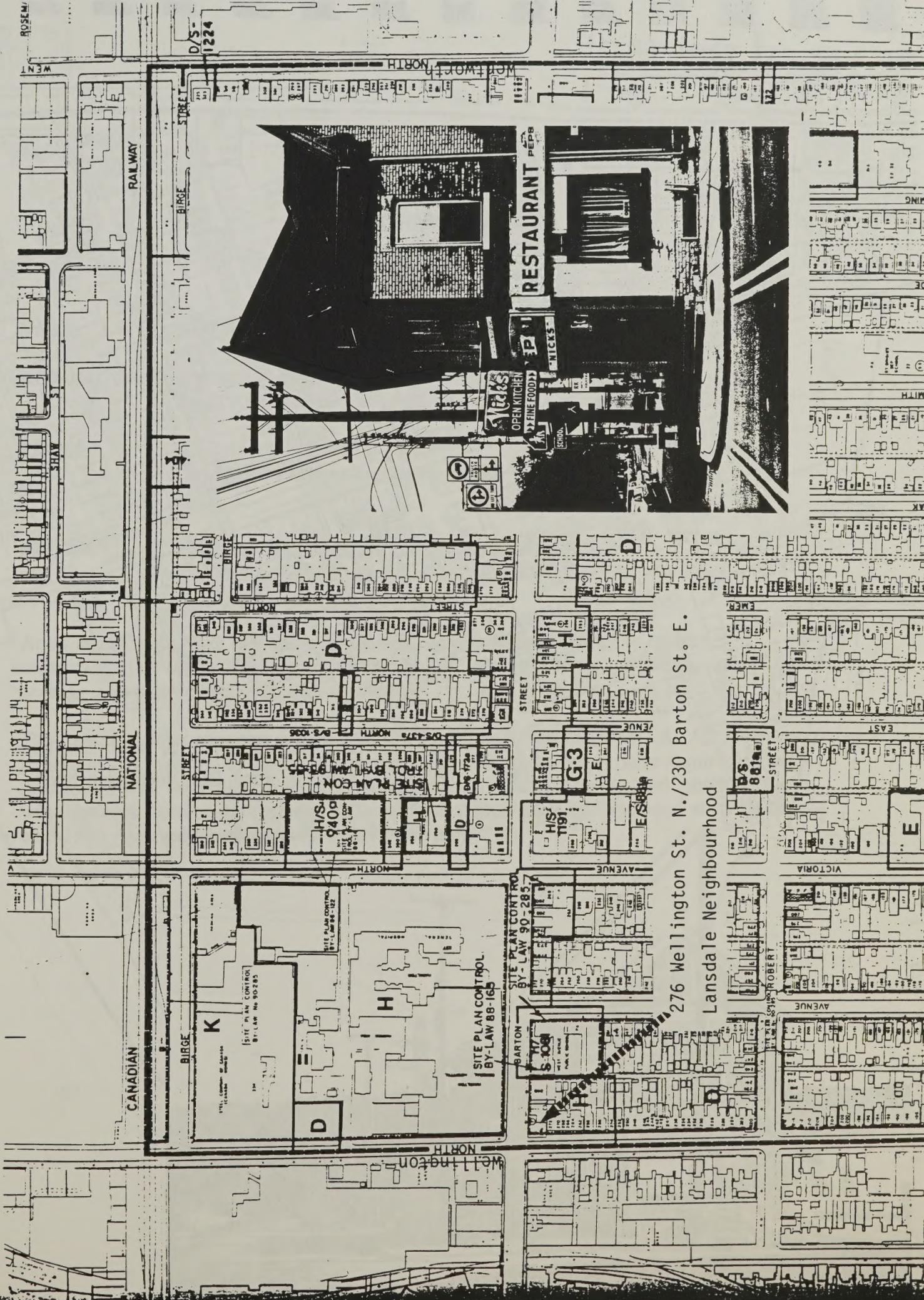
The Research Sub-committee evaluated these two buildings at its last meeting held 1996 July 30 and recommended that they be added to the Inventory.

The West Hamilton building (currently the West End Bar and Grill) is recommended for listing on historical grounds, as it is one of a small nucleus of buildings that made up the centre of the village of West Hamilton in the early 20th century. The building was evaluated at the request of a long-time resident of West Hamilton with a particular interest in its history and historic buildings.

The building at the south-east corner of Barton and Wellington (formerly a restaurant with apartments above but now vacant) was evaluated following an enquiry from the current owner about its heritage status. He indicated that he was considering demolition of the building and converting the site to a parking lot. The Research Sub-committee felt strongly that this late Victorian building with its corner entrance, bracketted eaves and decorative gables had sufficient architectural interest to be worthy of preservation and that it also provided a strong visual anchor at the street corner.

Map and photographs attached; additional photographs available at meeting.



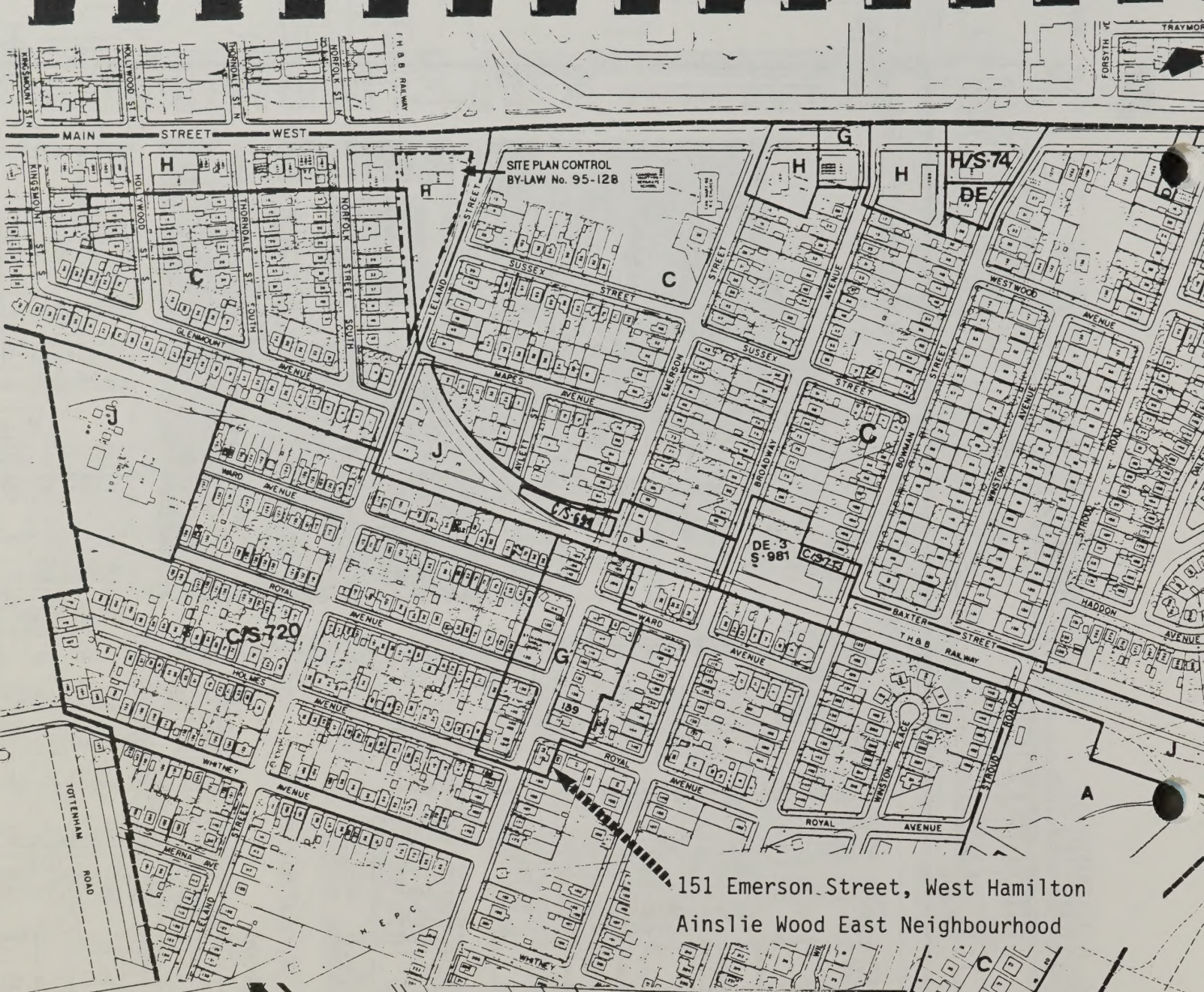


276 Wellington St. N./230 Barton St. E.

Lansdale Neighbourhood









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**CITY OF HAMILTON**

**- INFORMATION -**

**DATE:** 1996 August 29

**REPORT TO:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

**FROM:** V. J. Abraham, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.  
Director of Planning and Development

**SUBJECT:** Hamilton Courthouse Project - heritage permit for alterations/ additions to the Dominion Public Building

At its last meeting held 1996 July 15, LACAC delegated the authority to make a recommendation to the Planning and Development Committee regarding the above-referenced heritage permit to its Research Sub-committee.

The Research Sub-committee met on May 28, June 7 and June 25 (other LACAC members present at last meeting) to discuss the matter. Any contentious issues were resolved through discussions with the project architects (Norr Partnership Ltd.). The attached recommendation was then forwarded to the Planning & Development Committee and approved at its meeting held 1996 August 21 (approved by Council on August 27).

**CITY OF HAMILTON**  
**- RECOMMENDATION -**

**DATE:** 1996 August 12

**REPORT TO:** Tina Agnello, Secretary  
Planning and Development Committee

**FROM:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

**SUBJECT:** Hamilton Courthouse Project - Heritage Permit  
Application for Alterations/Additions to Dominion  
Public Building

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That a Heritage Permit be approved for the following additions and alterations to the designated building at 10 John Street South, the former Dominion Public Building now the new Hamilton Courthouse, based on the Courthouse model pictured in schematic design, Vol.1, 1993 May; drawings prepared by Norr Partnership Limited Architects Engineers (dated 1995 May, 1995 September 13, 1995 October 24, 1995 November 6, 9, 10, 13 and 20 and 1996 May 10); and, the revised drawings attached hereto and marked as Appendix "A", "B" and "C":

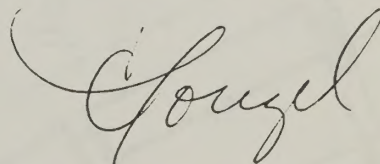
- a) Exterior
  - (i) Addition of upper storeys: glazed penthouse and precast concrete mechanical housing coloured to match existing limestone; and,
  - (ii) New Courthouse addition on Main Street facade; and,
  - (iii) Upper steel windows either replaced to match the appearance of the original (1936) windows, or insulated; and,
  - (iv) Exterior first and second storey windows: replace glass with clear thermal panes and install new bronze glazing stops on interior; and,
  - (v) Stone lintels: reattach where necessary by drilling and attaching new stainless steel anchorage and finish joints with matching mortar; and,



(vi) New bronze and glass doors, on north, south and east elevations.

b) Interior

- (i) Removal of marble wall and brass wickets in the heritage lobby beneath the world mosaic to allow for a new corridor opening linking the old and new buildings; and,
- (ii) Materials recovered from the new corridor opening will be reinstalled to close off the existing former Philatelic Centre opening. The new opening will be framed with bronze recovered from the "Philatelic Centre" opening; and,
- (iii) The existing opening between the heritage lobby and the proposed waiting room (former location of post office boxes) will be screened by a glass partition incorporating a bronze grille frieze.



**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Any alterations or additions to a building designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act require Council approval through the Heritage Permit process. In the case of the former Dominion Public Building, the designation includes the east (front), north and south facades, the entrance, postal and elevator lobby areas and main stairwell.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee at its meeting held 1996 May 13 met with the Project Architects, Norr Partnership Limited, to review the project's plans and elevations.

At the 1996 July 15 meeting of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee, the authority to make a recommendation for presentation to the Planning and Development Committee regarding the Heritage Permit required for the Hamilton Courthouse project was delegated to the Research Sub-Committee. The Research Sub-Committee reviewed the plans in detail and has submitted the above-noted recommendation.

attached

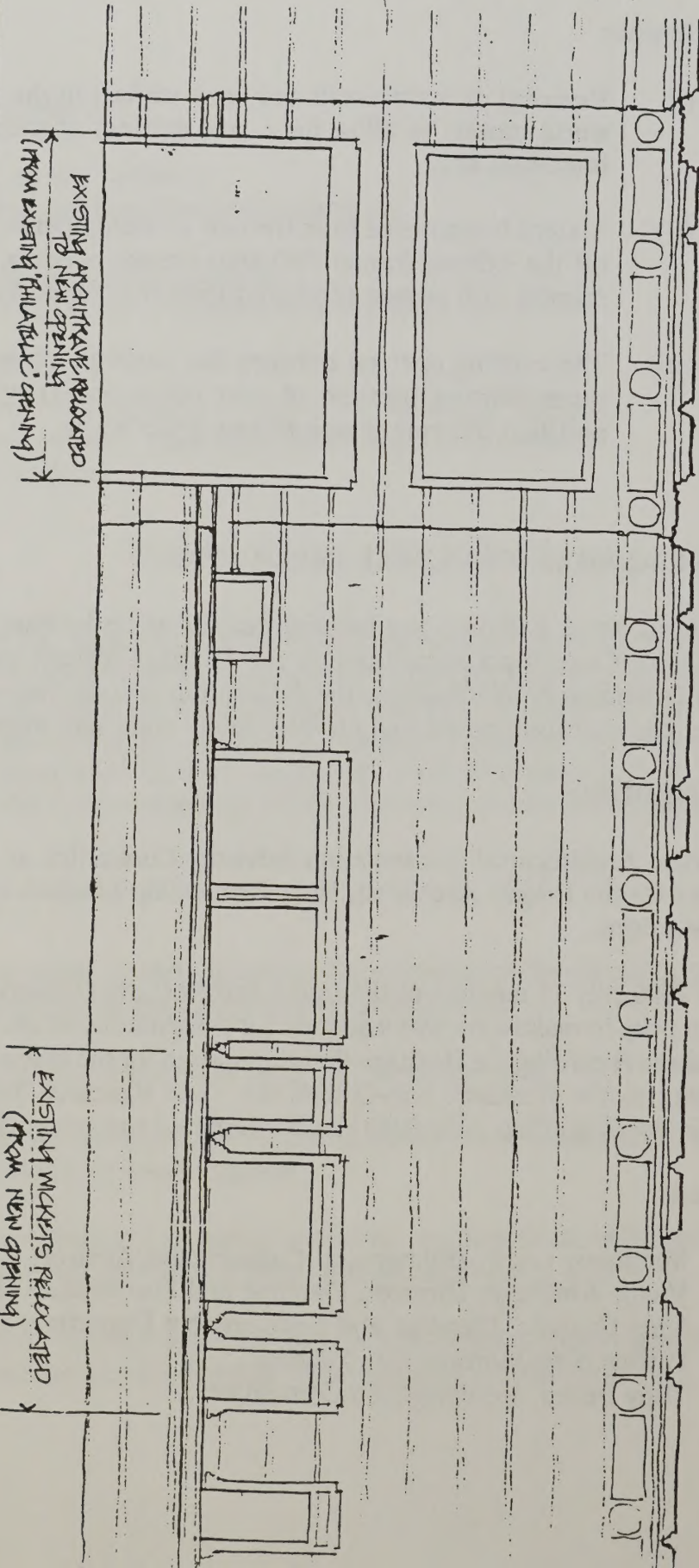
cc Members, Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee  
Victor Abraham, Director, Planning and Development Department  
Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department  
Patrice Noé Johnson, City Solicitor  
Tony Butler, Research Sub-Committee



ONTARIO COURT OF JUSTICE - HAMILTON

PROPOSED OPENING TREATMENT IN WEST WALL OF  
HERITAGE LOBBY 1045 "MARBLE HALL" - GROUND FLOOR  
KJ = 1-0  
29 JULY 96

SKA-260B



NORR

NORR Partnership Limited  
Architects Engineers  
350 Bloor Street East  
Toronto, Canada  
M4W 3S6



APPENDIX "B"

CRISTO COURT PLUS/STICE -  
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REVISED OPENINGS BETWEEN  
MARBLE HALL & PUBLIC CORRIDOR 1041  
GROUND FLOOR  
1041 = 10'0"  
23 JULY 96

PUBLIC CORRIDOR

1041

SERVICE COUNTER AREA  
1040

FOUR (4) PUBLIC ACCESS COMPARTMENTS

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EXISTING ARCHITECTURE RELOCATED  
TO NEW OPENING  
(FROM EXISTING "HILARIOUS" OPENING)

HERITAGE LOBBY

1045

"MARBLE HALL"

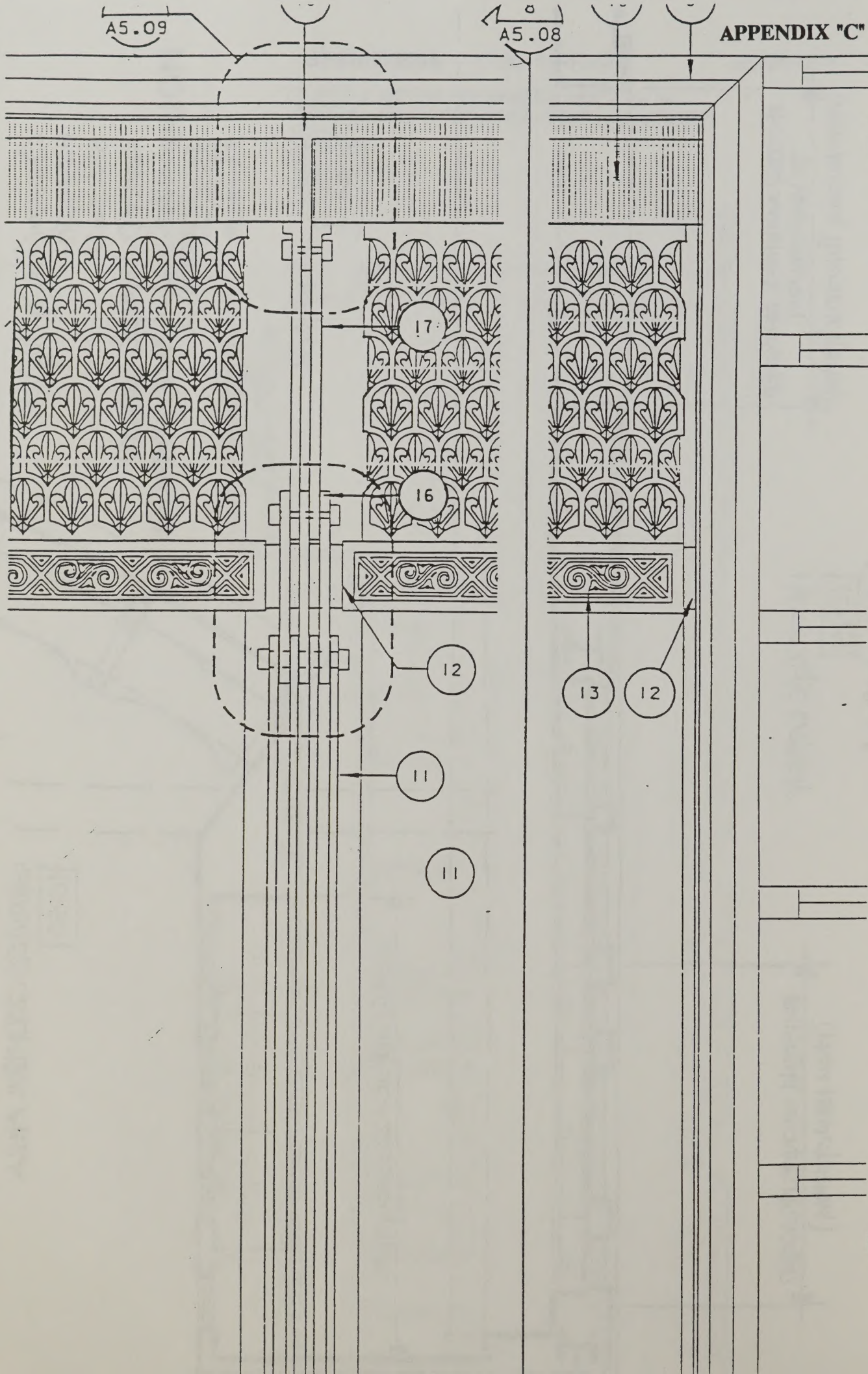
EXISTING WICKETS RELOCATED  
(FROM NEW OPENING)



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APPENDIX "C"





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**CITY OF HAMILTON**

**- INFORMATION -**

**DATE:** 1996 August 29

**REPORT TO:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

**FROM:** V. J. Abraham, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.  
Director of Planning and Development

**SUBJECT:** St. Thomas Anglican Church - proposed sale of  
building to City of Hamilton

St. Thomas Church was closed by the Anglican Diocese of Niagara in April 1996 and is currently for sale. The church exterior is designated under the Ontario Heritage Act.

A letter from Archdeacon Peter B. Moore was sent to the Chair, Planning and Development Committee in July, requesting that the City consider purchasing the building (copy of letter attached).

Distributed to Alderman Drury; Alderman D'Amico; Mayor Morrow; Assistant to the Mayor; V. Abraham, Director of Planning; P. Noe Johnson, City Solicitor; R. Karl, Traffic Department; D. Lobo, Director of Public Works on 1996 August 6 *Handwritten initials and signature*  
+ C. Touzel, Secty LACAC



## THE SYNOD OF THE DIOCESE OF NIAGARA

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

Bishop: The Right Reverend Walter G. Asbil

AUG 08 1996

Executive Officer  
The Venerable  
Peter B. Moore

Secretary of Synod  
Mrs. Judy D. Dodman

July 31, 1996

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Treasurer  
Mr. Ralph W. Malashevsky

Director of Program  
Dr. Stephen F. Hopkins

Attention: Chair, Planning and Development Committee of City Hall  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L8N 3T4

Dear Sir/Madam:

At the request of Mayor Robert Morrow, I write to request the Planning and Development Committee of the City of Hamilton to consider seriously this request sent on behalf of the Anglican Diocese of Niagara to consider the purchase of the recently closed St. Thomas' Anglican Church, Hamilton, located at West Avenue and Main Street East as a rehearsal hall, performance hall and facility for the various arts organizations who need a smaller facility for rehearsals and performances. In addition, it could very well be that the church could be rented out and used on Sundays as a worship centre for smaller denominations.

St. Thomas' Church has been a centre of worship and church life in the Anglican Diocese of Niagara for over 130 years, and was the site of the consecration of our first bishop, Thomas Brock Fuller. It is therefore of historical significance and would be appropriate for the facility to remain in its present condition. This, of course, is one of the conditions of its LACAC designation.

I would be happy to arrange for a speaker to attend the committee to outline our presentation if this is considered to be worthwhile. In the meantime, I sincerely hope that the committee will consider seriously this request and ask for a positive response. While the building is listed at \$324,900, negotiations could be entered into to facilitate a purchase by the city.

If there is any further information you require, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

Yours faithfully,

Archdeacon Peter B. Moore  
Executive Officer  
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Copy to: Bishop Walter Asbil  
Archdeacon Richard Berryman



# CITY OF HAMILTON

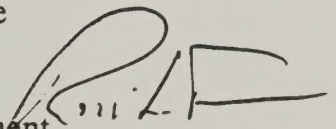
## - INFORMATION -

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**DATE:** 1996 July 15

**REPORT TO:** Kevin C. Christenson, Secretary  
Parks and Recreation Committee

**FROM:** Ross L. Fair, Director  
Culture and Recreation Department



**SUBJECT:** Relocation of Dundurn Aviary

### BACKGROUND:

As was reported to Committee at the April and June 1995 meetings, the Dundurn Aviary operation was temporarily relocated to the Kenilworth Composite Building for the duration of the restoration work at Dundurn. This was done out of concerns for the health and safety of the birds and Friends of the Dundurn Aviary volunteers during the construction period. Costs of relocation were borne by the Dundurn Restoration Capital Budget.

In April, 1995 Council directed staff to explore possible alternative permanent locations for the Aviary. Dundurn and Harvey Parks were included in initial discussions of potential permanent sites in discussions between volunteers, and Parks and Culture and Recreation staff. Subsequently, LACAC and the Historical Board put forward recommendations that Dundurn and Harvey Parks not be considered as sites.

At its January 1996 meeting of Council, the Commissioner of Public Works and Traffic was authorized to negotiate with the Royal Botanical Gardens for the use of the Teaching Gardens Property in Westdale as a new home for the Aviary.

Upon successful completion of those negotiations, the exterior flights at Dundurn were removed and the birds are currently in the process of being transferred from Kenilworth to the new location.

Presently, some of the smaller birds are being housed temporarily in the indoor flights at Dundurn until their new cages are ready.

The areas vacated by the outdoor flights will be landscaped in keeping with plans for the landscape restoration in the historical zone surrounding Dundurn. The vacated Dovecote

and aviary will hopefully be returned to their original functions as a potting shed and garden outbuilding.

MH/cf

c.c. Bob Chrystian, Manager of Parks  
Nina Chapple, Architectural Historian, Planning Department



# LACAC

Town of Flamborough

Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

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August 20, 1996

RECEIVED  
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Mrs. Dianne Dent  
LACAC Chairperson  
City of Hamilton  
c/o Nina Chapple  
Architectural Historian  
Planning Department  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L8N 3T4

Dear Mrs. Dent:

**RE: Second Round Table Meeting of Hamilton-Wentworth Region LACACs**

With reference to my memo of March 20, 1996, I am writing to remind you of our group decision to hold a second Regional Round Table Meeting in October 1996.

After careful consideration, we would propose that the meeting be held on Saturday, October 26, 1996 in order to allow more time to get organized. Again, the Flamborough LACAC is most happy to provide the venue for this meeting, but would be pleased to have any other of the LACACs handle the hosting duties.

We should establish the topics for discussion as soon as possible. Walking tours and a guest speakers might be a good ideas. Are there any important topics or concerns you might wish to bring up? Should we invite the City of Burlington LACAC?

Please contact me as soon as possible with any ideas you may have. The agenda should be sent out no later than September 26th in order to reach everyone in time.

The Flamborough LACAC looks forward to meeting with the other area LACACs for this second round table discussion and thanks you for your continued assistance.

August 20, 1996  
Regional Round Table Meeting  
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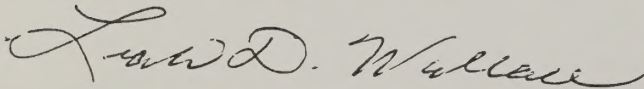
For further information I can be reached in Waterdown at:

905-689-0316/4489 OR

c/o The Town of Flamborough  
163 Dundas Street East  
P.O. Box 50  
Waterdown, Ontario  
L0R 2H0

Yours very truly

**TOWN OF FLAMBOROUGH**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Leah D. Wallace".

Leah D. Wallace  
Chair

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## Notice of Annual General Meeting Saturday, September 21st, 1996



Notice is hereby given for the 1996 Annual General Meeting of Community Heritage Ontario, to be held on Saturday, September 21st, 1996 in Peterborough.

### Location

Peter Robinson College, Sadleir House (Victorian Mansion)  
751 George Street North, Peterborough, Ontario  
(see map on reverse)

### Program

- 9:30 a.m. Delegate registration and Refreshments
- 10:00 a.m. 1996 Annual General Meeting
- 11:00 a.m. Heritage Presentation by Marc Denhez \*  
(Marc Denhez is a prominent Heritage Preservation lawyer)
- 12:00 noon Lunch (\$ 15. per person) at the College
- 1:30 p.m. New Board of Directors' Introduction and Orientation
- 2:00 p.m. Heritage Presentation by Peterborough LACAC.
- 4:00 p.m. Closing

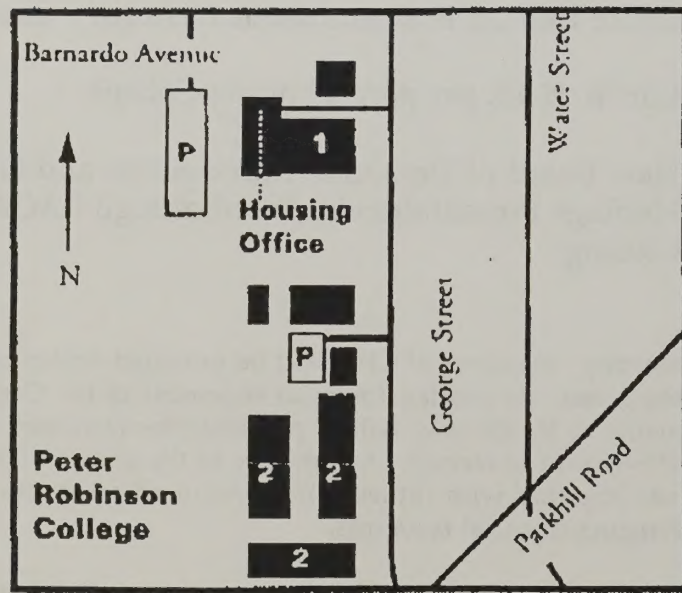
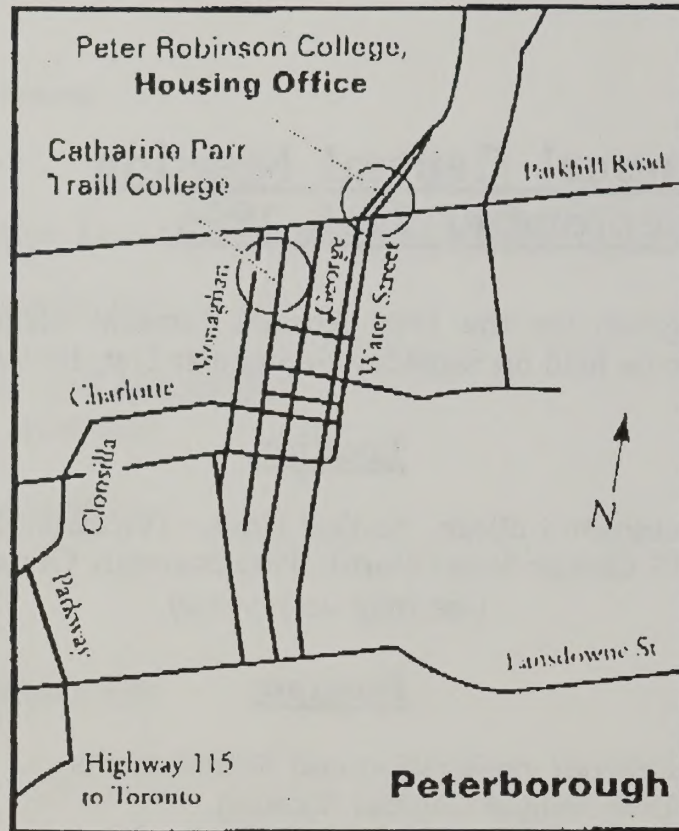
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At the Annual General Meeting, members of CHO will be provided with a copy of the minutes of the last annual general meeting and an audited financial statement of the Corporation. A few minor "housekeeping" amendments to the By-laws will be presented for members' consideration and a new Board of Directors for 1996-97 will be elected. A summary of the actions taken by the Board since the last AGM will be outlined together with future actions required to ensure the preservation of our heritage in the face of changing financial resources.

CHO members arriving Friday evening must make their own overnight accommodations at any of the local Peterborough hotels.

To assist CHO with lunch and meeting room facilities, **pre-registration prior to September 6th, 1996 is essential.**

If you are planning to attend to AGM, **please call Mary Stephens at: 1-519-439-3373.**



### Peter Robinson College

- 1 Sadleir House
- 1 Housing Office
- 2 The Townhouses





Official 1996 Delegate Form

The Municipally Appointed Heritage Committee,  
(or Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee) of

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(name of your community)

has authorized

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(name of your voting delegate)

to vote on its behalf at the 1996 Annual General Meeting of  
Community Heritage Ontario, to be held Sept. 21st, 1996 at Peterborough.

If the above mentioned appointee is unable to attend the AGM,  
the following Alternate Delegate has been authorized to vote:

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(Alternative Voting Delegate)

If a LACAC member other than the Chairman is selected as the voting delegate,  
such appointment should be authorized by the Chairman and / or the community's  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee.

I hereby confirm the approve appointments to be the wish of our LACAC.

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LACAC Chairman or Committee Official

If a member of your LACAC will be present at the 1996 Annual General Meeting,  
please complete and forward this form **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE,**  
**and not later than September 15th, 1996, to:**

Community Heritage Ontario,  
24 Conlins Road,  
Scarborough, Ontario, M1C 1C3.

**\*\* This form may be faxed to CHO, at (416) 282-9482 \*\***



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July 8, 1996

His Worship, Mayor Robert M. Morrow  
City of Hamilton  
71 Main Street West  
Hamilton, Ontario  
L8N 3T4

Dear Mayor Morrow:

Please accept my apology for the delay in responding to your letter regarding capital funding for heritage projects. I would like to thank you and Hamilton Council for your letter in support of this type of program. I understand and can appreciate that these programs have provided worthwhile benefits to your community in the past through the encouragement of traditional construction skills and local job creation.

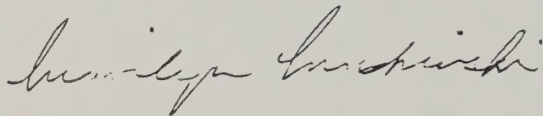
As you are aware, the government's current fiscal reality requires the adoption of widespread expenditure reductions and a more streamlined approach to restoring economic health and prosperity to the people of Ontario. While trying to take your opinion and others into account during our review process, our decision was to cancel the Designated Property Grant Program along with other capital grant programs. We are looking at ways we can continue to work with municipalities to help them preserve Ontario's heritage.

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Mayor Robert M. Morrow  
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I know that you and your municipality have been actively involved in heritage conservation for many years and I appreciate the concerns you have expressed. Thank you for sharing your thoughts with me on this issue. We will keep you informed as new government initiatives are announced.

Yours truly,



Marilyn Mushinski  
Minister

cc: David Christopherson, MPP, Hamilton Centre  
Dominic Agnostino, MPP, Hamilton East  
Lillian Ross, MPP, Hamilton West  
Trevor Pettit, MPP, Hamilton Mountain  
V. Abraham, Director of Local Planning  
N. Chapple, Planning Department



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**LACAC RESEARCH SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING  
MINUTES**

**DATE:** July 30, 1996

**TIME:** 12:00 noon

**PLACE:** Planning Department

**PRESENT:** Jane Rigby, Chair  
Tony Butler  
Nina Chapple  
Ann Gillespie  
Joy Dubbeld

Alex Yang, student

**1. Introduction of Alex Yang, and work on the Stinson Neighbourhood Inventory**

The Research Sub-committee was advised that Alex Yang, high school graduate going to University of Toronto in the fall, would be assisting with a heritage study of the Stinson Neighbourhood. The study is in co-ordination with the Planning and Development Department's Neighbourhood Plan study and includes research on existing buildings of architectural and historical interest as well as lost landmarks. The existing buildings will be systematically evaluated for inclusion on the Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest.

**2. Stinson Street School (designated): proposal to repair/replace slate roofing**

The Research Sub-committee considered the above proposal of the Hamilton Board of Education.

The Sub-committee's conclusions were summarised in a letter to The Manager of Design Services of the HBE dated August 8, 1996 (attached). → agenda item 3b)

**3. Centenary United Church (listed): proposed sign**

A letter was sent to Centenary's Building Committee by Charlene Touzel, LACAC Secretary, advising that a Building Permit would be required for the installation of the proposed sign.

In addition, it was stated that the "Research Sub-committee is interested in this matter and may be forwarding further comments on this proposal".

A copy of the Research Sub-committee's letter to Centenary United Church (dated August 7, 1996) is attached. (LACAC agenda item 3a)

**4. Designated Property Plaque Programme: nominations**

The Research Sub-committee discussed LACAC's memorandum of July 17, 1996 advising the Joint Plaquing Sub-committee of its suggestions for Commemorative and Designated Property plaques (attached).

It was agreed that all of the sites suggested by LACAC were worthy of plaquing and should be retained on an ongoing list of desirable sites. With respect to timeliness and maximum exposure, the Research Sub-committee felt that the following sites were priorities.

Commemorative Plaque

(a large, rectangular bronze plaque with the city crest, to recognize sites of architectural and/or historical/prehistoric importance):

MacNab/Charles Heritage Conservation District.

Designated Property Plaque

(a small, oval bronze plaque with the city crest, to recognize buildings designated under the Ontario Heritage Act):

T. H. & B./GO Station.

**5. St. Thomas Anglican Church (designated): update**

The Research Sub-committee was advised that there was a meeting in Mayor Morrow's office with Anglican Church representatives (Archdeacon Peter Moore) regarding the sale of St. Thomas (listed at \$324,900) and to discuss the City's interest in the property.

**6. 151 Emerson Street (currently West End Bar and Grill): Addition to Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest.**

In reply to a letter to Heritage Planning staff from a resident of the West Hamilton neighbourhood, the Research Sub-committee evaluated 151 Emerson Street for its eligibility to be added to the Inventory.

It was determined that the building was eligible for listing on the Inventory, for historical reasons (as part of the original village of West Hamilton).



**7. 276 Wellington St. North/230 Barton St. East: Addition to Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest.**

The owner of the above-referenced building enquired about its heritage status. He is considering demolishing the building, which is vacant.

The Research Sub-committee evaluated the building, located in an area which has not yet been systematically surveyed for additions to the Inventory. The building, located on the south east corner of Wellington and Barton, visually anchors this corner of the block. The Sub-committee concluded that the building was worthy of listing for architectural reasons.

**8. Dominion Public Building/Hamilton Courthouse (designated):  
Heritage Permit Application**

LACAC, at its meeting held July 15 approved the following:

That the authority to make a recommendation to the Planning and Development Committee regarding the Heritage Permit required for the Hamilton Courthouse project be delegated to the Research Sub-committee.

The Research Sub-committee formulated a recommendation to approve the Heritage Permit Application. This recommendation will be conveyed through the LACAC Secretary Charlene Touzel. (LACAC Agenda Item 3c)

**9. Gore Heritage Design Study**

Distribution of copies of study for review and comment at a later date.

1. The first part of the report is a general introduction to the subject of the study. It discusses the importance of the study and the objectives of the research.

2. The second part of the report is a detailed description of the methodology used in the study. It includes information about the sample, the data collection methods, and the statistical analysis.

3. The third part of the report is a presentation of the results of the study. It includes tables, figures, and text describing the findings of the research.

4. The fourth part of the report is a discussion of the results and their implications. It includes a comparison of the findings with previous research and a discussion of the limitations of the study.

5. The fifth part of the report is a conclusion and a summary of the main findings of the study. It includes a statement of the overall results and a recommendation for further research.

6. The sixth part of the report is a list of references. It includes a list of all the sources used in the study, including books, articles, and other documents.

7. The seventh part of the report is an appendix. It includes any additional information that is relevant to the study, such as raw data, questionnaires, and other documents.

8. The eighth part of the report is a list of figures and tables. It includes a list of all the figures and tables used in the study, along with a brief description of each.

9. The ninth part of the report is a list of abbreviations. It includes a list of all the abbreviations used in the study, along with their full names.

10. The tenth part of the report is a list of symbols. It includes a list of all the symbols used in the study, along with their meanings.

11. The eleventh part of the report is a list of footnotes. It includes a list of all the footnotes used in the study, along with their full text.

12. The twelfth part of the report is a list of appendices. It includes a list of all the appendices used in the study, along with their full text.



**CITY OF HAMILTON**

**- INFORMATION -**

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**DATE:** 1996 August 13

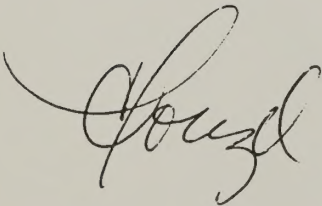
**REPORT TO:** Kevin C. Christenson, Secretary  
Parks and Recreation Committee

**FROM:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Hamilton Historical Board

**SUBJECT:** Hamilton Historical Board Minutes - 1996 June 11

**BACKGROUND:**

Attached for the information of the Parks and Recreation Committee are the minutes of the Hamilton Historical Board for its meeting held 1996 June 11 as adopted by the Board on 1996 August 13.



attached

cc Secretary, Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

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Tuesday, 1996 June 11  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 233, City Hall

**The Hamilton Historical Board met.**

**There were Present:** Walter Peace, Vice-Chairperson  
Alderman William McCulloch  
Alderman Bernie Morelli  
Gordon Birk  
David Cuming  
Brian Henley  
Stephen Kostyshyn  
Jack McBurney  
Carolyn McCann  
Claire Riddell

**Regrets:** David Beland, Chairperson  
Joyce Newman  
Victoria Reiding

**Also Present:** Marilyn Havelka, Culture and Recreation Department  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary

1. **CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS**

In the absence of David Beland, Chairperson, Walter Peace, Vice-Chairperson, assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order.

a) **Hamilton Maps on Display at McMaster University**

Walter Peace encouraged all Board Members to visit the display of Hamilton maps in the Mill's Library at McMaster University.

b) **Marilynn Havelka Celebrating 25 Years with City of Hamilton**

Board Members congratulated Marilyn Havelka, Manager, Cultural Services, who is celebrating her 25th year as an employee of the City of Hamilton.

c) **No meeting in July**

Board Members were reminded that the Hamilton Historical Board will not meet in 1996 July, however, a special meeting can be called if necessary.

2. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The Board was in receipt of the Minutes of the Hamilton Historical Board for its meeting held 1996 May 14. The Minutes were amended as follows:

Page 3 - Item 5(b) - the word "table" was changed to "tabled".

The Minutes were adopted as amended.

3. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

a) **Bus Shelters in Gore Park**

The Board received for information, a memorandum dated 1996 May 29 from the Secretary of the Parks and Recreation Committee to the Gore Park Review Team advising that the issue of the bus shelters in Gore Park has been tabled until such time as the Gore Park fountain has been installed.

**b) Veevers Estate - Video Presentation**

A video of the restoration of the Veevers Estate was shown for the Board's information.

Marilynn Havelka indicated that the Staff Acquisitions Committee has not yet met to discuss the status of the Veevers truck but will keep the Board informed of any new developments in this regard.

**4. DIRECTOR OF CULTURE AND RECREATION****a) Deaccessioning of Artifacts - Dundurn Castle (tabled from last meeting)**

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 June 3 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

The Board approved the following:

That approval be given to deaccession and transfer the items listed on Appendix "A", attached hereto, to Dundurn Castle for archival and research purposes.

**b) Grounds Use Request - Dundurn Park - CNIB District Annual Client Picnic**

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 June 3 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

The Board approved the following:

That approval be given to the action taken by the Director of Culture and Recreation in authorizing the following grounds use request:

The CNIB District Annual Client Picnic - Wednesday, 1996 June 12

**c) Grounds Use Requests - Dundurn Park**

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 June 3 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Two added grounds use requests for Dundurn Park were also circulated.

The Board approved the following as amended:

That the following 1996 grounds use requests for Dundurn Park be approved:

- |    |                                           |                               |
|----|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| a) | Seniors Activation Maintenance Program    | July 22                       |
| b) | Westside Baptist Church                   | September 21                  |
| c) | Hamilton Children's Museum Birthday Party | July 18<br>(raindate July 19) |
| d) | St. George Benevolent Society             | September 28                  |

**d) Human Resource Development Canada - Canadian Jobs Strategy Section 25 Programme - Grant Application**

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 June 3 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.



Marilynn Havelka advised Board Members that the name of the grant programme has been changed to Human Resource Development Canada's Canadian Jobs Strategy Section 25 Programme. The Board approved the following as amended:

That the Director of Culture and Recreation be authorized to apply for a grant under Human Resource Development Canada's Canadian Jobs Strategy Section 25 Programme to request the position of Museum Assistant for a period of up to 52 weeks at no cost to the City.

**e) Children's Museum Birthday Party - Gage Park - 1996 July 18**

The Board was in receipt of an added report dated 1996 June 11 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

The Board approved the following:

That approval, as required by Parks By-law 95-126, Section 37 be given to the Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum to bring animals into Gage Park on the occasion of the 18th Birthday Party for the Children's Museum to be held 1996 July 18 (raindate July 19) subject to the following terms and conditions:

- (a) That proof of insurance be provided in the amount of \$2 million for Comprehensive General Liability, Property Damage, Bodily Injury, subject to cross-liability and severability provisions, naming the City as additional insured; and,
- (b) That the exhibitors assume responsibility for all labour charges associated with the event (set-up, dismantling, clean-up, etc.); and,
- (c) That special duty officers as deemed necessary by the Hamilton-Wentworth Regional Police, be approved at the applicant's expense; and,
- (d) That the terms and conditions be reviewed and monitored by the Special Events/Festival Advisory Team.

**f) Request for Additional Parking in Gage Park for Exhibitors of the Hamilton Children's Museum Birthday Party - 1996 July 18 (Raindate 1996 July 19)**

The Board was in receipt of an added report dated 1996 June 11 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

The Board approved the following:

That approval, as required by Parks By-law No. 95-126, Sections 29, 30 and 33, be granted for seven exhibitors to park their cars/trucks and trailers on the grass at the east and south sides of the south parking lot at the Hamilton Children's Museum during the Birthday Party event on 1996 July 18 (raindate 1996 July 19).

**g) Food Services for Canada Day Tattoo (July 1), An Evening in Scotland (August 25) and Made By Hand (July 6-7) in Dundurn Park**

The Board was in receipt of an added report dated 1996 June 11 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

The Board approved the following:

- a) That approval be granted to the City of Hamilton to contract John Bokstein to barbecue and sell food and beverages, Mr. Frosty to sell ice cream and The English Butler to sell giftwares during the Canada Day Tattoo to be held on 1996 July 1 and An Evening in Scotland on 1996 August 25 in Dundurn Park; and
- b) That John Bokstein and Mr. Frosty sell food as noted above during the "Made by Hand" special event held on July 6-7 in Dundurn Park; and,
- c) That twenty-five percent of the gross sales from the concession from John Bokstein, Mr. Frosty and The English Butler be deposited in the following accounts:
  - i) Proceeds from the Canada Day Tattoo to the Hamilton Military Museum Account No. CH 48098 71105; and,
  - ii) Proceeds from An Evening in Scotland to be split between the Hamilton Military Museum Account No. CH 48096 71105 and Dundurn Castle Trust Account No. CH 4X999 00408; and,
  - iii) Proceeds from "Made by Hand" to Dundurn Castle's Trust Account No. CH 4X999 00408.
- h) Food Services for Hamilton Children's Museum Birthday Party - 1996 July 18 (Raindate 1996 July 19) in Gage Park

The Board was in receipt of an added report dated 1996 June 11 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

The Board approved the following:

- a) That approval be granted to the City of Hamilton to contract the Krasic Group to barbecue and sell food and beverages during the Hamilton Children's Museums Birthday Party July 18 (raindate July 19); and
- b) That 20% of the gross sales from the concession from the Krasic Group be deposited in the Children's Museum Trust Account CH 4X999 00403 Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum.

5. MANAGER OF CULTURAL SERVICES

a) Governor General Visit - 1996 June 8

The Board was in receipt of a letter dated 1996 June 10 from David Beland, Chairperson, apologizing for an oversight that members of the Hamilton Historical Board were not invited to cut the ribbon for the official unveiling of the restored Dundurn Castle with the Mayor and the Governor General. This letter was received as circulated.

Gordon Birk added that Board Members should also have been included in the unveiling of the Sesquicentennial plaque at Sam Lawrence Park but added that it was a nice ceremony and very well attended.

Photographs taken of the Governor General's visit to Dundurn Castle were circulated for the Board's information.



The Board approved the following:

That a letter of thanks be sent to Marilyn Havelka and Dundurn Castle Staff recognizing their efforts in co-ordinating the Sesquicentennial ceremony held at Dundurn Castle on 1996 June 8.

b) **Aviary Removed from Dundurn Castle**

Board Members were advised that the Aviary cages at Dundurn Castle have been removed.

c) **Stable Building - Dundurn Castle**

Board Members were advised that a Heritage Permit for the renovations to the Stable Building was approved by the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee at its meeting held 1996 June 10.

The updated proposal for the ventilation and kitchen exhaust for the Stable Building allows for the ducting to be directed out of an existing window opening, a less intrusive option to the existing heritage structure.

d) **Hamilton Society of Architects' Sesquicentennial Design Awards**

Board Members were advised that two Mohawk College students nominated Dundurn Castle and Whitehern for Hamilton Society of Architects' Sesquicentennial Design Awards. Award recipients will be announced on 1996 June 22.

6. **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

a) **Hamilton History Sub-Committee**

(i) **Policy on Bequests (tabled from last meeting)**

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 May 14 from Walter Peace, Chairperson, Hamilton History Sub-Committee, respecting the above-noted matter. The Board agreed to table this matter to its 1996 September meeting.

(ii) **Archaeological Survey of the Red Hill Creek Valley - History and Importance of Valley**

Brian Henley circulated a motion that he prepared for presentation to the Parks and Recreation Committee on the historical importance of the Red Hill Creek Valley. The Board approved the following:

That in light of the Archaeological Survey of the Red Hill Creek Valley as prepared by Mayer Heritage Consultants in 1996, that the archaeological and historical importance of the Red Hill Creek Valley be respected in any plans being formulated for the construction of the Red Hill Creek Expressway.

(iii) **Cityview - Comments on new Official Plan**

Walter Peace circulated a response that he prepared to the Cityview document requesting comments from the Hamilton Historical Board on the new Official Plan. The Board reviewed the comments, made two suggested amendments and approved the following as amended:

That the following comments from the Hamilton Historical Board on the Cityview document be forwarded to the Director, Planning and

Development Department, for consideration when reviewing the City's new Official Plan:

As part of its mandate, the Hamilton Historical Board offers advice to City Council, via the Parks and Recreation Committee, on matters concerning Hamilton's prehistoric and historic heritage. The Hamilton Historical Board strongly endorses a "Vision for Hamilton" which recognizes, conserves and celebrates the importance of the City's past. We believe that the new Official Plan should espouse the celebration of people, events, sites and structures which are of heritage significance and interest. The preservation and commemoration of our heritage ultimately enhances the quality of life of all members of the community at large. Our identities as individuals, as citizens and as a City are, in part, derived from people and events in our collective past. The goals, objectives and policies of the Official Plan should reflect the importance of our heritage.

b) **Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum**

**Hamilton Children's Museum Birthday Party - 1996 July 18**

Carolyn McCann invited all Board Members to attend the Hamilton Children's Museum's Birthday Party on 1996 July 18 (raindate of 1996 July 19).

c) **Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee**

**Heritage Inventory Plaque - Rose Arden**

Board Members were advised that given the costs involved, that the Spectator has now requested to purchase a Heritage Inventory Plaque and not a Commemorative Plaque for Rose Arden, the home of its founder, Robert Smiley.

The Board approved the following:

- a) That the following motion approved by the Hamilton Historical Board at its meeting held 1996 May 14 respecting a Commemorative Plaque for the Spectator be reconsidered:

That the Hamilton Spectator be permitted to purchase a Commemorative Plaque to mark the original location of the Robert Smiley house.

- b) That the above-noted recommendation be amended to read as follows:

That the request of The Spectator newspaper to purchase a City of Hamilton Heritage Inventory Plaque for Rose Arden, the home of its founder Robert Smiley, be approved.

d) **Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee**

Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1996 April 15 were circulated for the Board's information.

Brian Henley provided an overview of the current issues being addressed by the Committee including the Hamilton Society of Architects' Downtown



Charette on 1996 June 21-22, the Hamilton Courthouse Project, the MacNab/Charles Heritage District's streetscaping improvements and the Victoria Hall/MacKay building.

e) **Arts Advisory Commission**

**Arts Symposium - 1996 June 5**

Claire Riddell advised Board Members that the Arts Symposium was held on 1996 June 5. A copy of the Symposium's final report, when available, will be forwarded to all Board Members for their information.

7. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

The following information items as circulated with the agenda, were received for information:

a) **Museum Reports for the Month of 1996 May:**

- (i) Whitehern
- (ii) The Hamilton Children's Museum
- (iii) The Hamilton Military Museum
- (iv) Dundurn Castle (handed out at meeting)
- (v) Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology (handed out at meeting)

b) **Department of Justice News Release - Proposed Firearms Regulations**

c) **Letter from the Canadian Society for Mechanical Engineers - Commemoration of the Gartshore Engines**

d) **Culinary Historians of Ontario, Toronto Region - Spring 1996 Newsletter**

8. **OTHER BUSINESS**

a) **Council Reunion**

Alderman McCulloch advised Board Members that a reunion of all former Members of Hamilton City Council was held last night. Marilyn Havelka and Thérèse Charbonneau were thanked for their efforts in preparing a photographic display for this event.

b) **Sesquicentennial Events**

Carolyn McCann advised Board Members that there has been a significant increase in the number of walking tours by local schools and attributes this to the fact that students are learning about the City's Sesquicentennial and the history of our City. Photographs of a Sesquicentennial event involving students of St. Patrick's School were circulated for the Board's information.

It was suggested that a copy of the Sesquicentennial video prepared by John Best be presented at the next meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

Walter Peace, Vice-Chairperson  
Hamilton Historical Board

Charlene Touzel, Secretary



# APPENDIX "A"

Appendix "A" as referred to  
in Item 4(a) of the Minutes  
of the Hamilton Historical  
Board - 1996 June 11

| Accession<br>Number | Subject                                     |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| OC.571.1            | View on James Street 1871                   |
| OC.566.1            | Dundurn Castle (front view)                 |
| 979.OC.266.26       | Historic House                              |
| OC.568.1            | View of City of Hamilton                    |
| 979.OC.509.1        | Portrait of a Gentleman                     |
| 979.OC.269.30       | Gage Homestead                              |
| OC.565.1            | Watercolour - proposed Dundurn Bathing Park |
| OC.566.2            | Dundurn Castle (rear view)                  |
| 979.OC.228.1        | Photo: Hamilton                             |
| 979.OC.336.1        | "How Hamilton was Financed"                 |
| 979.OC.266.29       | Board of Clark Management Certificate       |
| OC.123.10           | Photo: United Empire Loyalists              |
| 1979.34.1           | Portrait                                    |
| 979.OC.271.8        | Sketch of Mountain Drive                    |
| 1979.OC.234.1       | "The Gore Gazette"                          |
| OC.226.1            | Newspaper clippings of Dundurn Castle       |





Monday, 1996 July 8  
4:00 o'clock p.m.  
Room 233, City Hall

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The Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee met.

There were present:

- Vincenza Travale, Co-Chair
- Milton Lewis, Co-Chair
- Carmen Rizzotto, Executive Director
- Frank DeNardis, Corporate Liaison
- Vito Sgro
- Dr. J. David Richardson
- Kay Honda
- David McCormack
- David Ricketts
- Renee Johnston
- Daniel Charles
- Leslie Pasis
- Dave Schwalm
- Brian Hinkley
- Allan Freeman

Also present:

- David Adames
- Lisa Antonsen
- Don Gunn
- Tom Cooper
- Derek LaPierre
- Sue Simmons
- Wanda Dzierzbicki
- Scott King
- Ainsley Sommer
- Olga Shmaidenko
- Kim Scott

Regrets:

- Brian Mullan
- Bill Rutlidge
- Cecelia Carter-Smith
- John Johnston
- Shelley Merlo-Orzel

#### **AGENDA**

Milton Lewis began the meeting with an opening reflection. He read Ross Robinson's "Word Portrait of the City" which will be formally presented to the City on Friday July 12th during Sesqui's Civic Heritage Party at City Hall.

1. Minutes of the meeting held Monday, 1996 July 8

The Committee was in receipt of the minutes of its meeting held Monday, 1996 June 10th, two amendments were made, and the Committee then approved the minutes as amended.

2. Report of Co-Chairs

Sesqui Commemorative Coins

Milt Lewis reported that the Coins have been selling very well -- from the original 50,000 distributed. Another order of 50,000 has been placed to cover the demand and distribution network.

Hamilton International Air Show

Milt told the Committee that Sesqui was pleased to participate in this successful event.

Greater Hamilton Tattoo

Milt told the Committee that this event was a huge success, with a major emphasis on Sesqui.

Hamilton Farmer's Market Reception

Milt commented on the success of the Reception, which was attended by many market stall keepers.

Hamilton-Shawinigan Sesquicentennial Weekend

Milt informed the Committee that the entire weekend was more successful than anticipated. 230 people came from Shawinigan, and they loved our City and its people. Special thanks were extended to Co-Chairs Ryan Paquette and Irene Stayshyn, and to the entire Sesqui Staff.

"Hamilton It's Happening" Commemorative Book

Milt informed the Committee that the official launch of the book will be on July 12th at the Birthday Celebration at City Hall. 10,000 copies of the Book will be available, and Milt congratulated Bruno Ruberto, Publisher, and Sherry Sleightholm, Author, for their amazing job.

Ontario Workers Art & Heritage Centre

Milt told the Committee that the Co-Chairs and the Executive Director attended the successful launch of this Centre.



### The Hamilton Spectator

Milt informed the Committee that a special birthday cake commemorating the joint Sesquicentennials of the City & The Spectator was presented to Gary Hall from The Spectator at the Tuesday, June 25th City Council meeting.

### Turkstra-Mazza "Summer in the City" Party

Milt told the Committee that this event had a Sesqui theme this year, and was a great success.

### Sesqui Super Home on Paradise

Frank DeNardis reported that the House Project is progressing well, and invited the Committee to the Cornerstone Installation Ceremony that will be held on July 11th. Frank told the committee that the lottery licence has been granted for the project, with tickets going on sale to the public for \$19.96 on September 9th for an 8 week campaign. Frank invited the Committee to participate in the lottery through purchasing and/or selling tickets.

## 3. Executive Director Report

Carmen Rizzotto thanked the Co-Chairs and the Sesqui Staff for their dedicated hard-work.

### Public Speaking Festival

Carmen reported on behalf of Pat Amos that there is good participation in the festival in all age groups, with 62 possible participants ages 9 to 50 + .

### Sesqui Stamp

Carmen passed the Sesqui Stamp around to the Committee for their perusal.

### Sesquilt

Carmen told the Committee that the Quilt will be officially presented to the City during the July 12th festivities, and that it will then begin a tour to various events and organizations around the City.

## 4. Committee Reports

### July 12th Birthday Celebration at City Hall

Wanda Dzierzbicki distributed a flier for this event and invited the Committee to participate.

#### **North American Town Criers Championship**

Alan Freeman reported that 30 Criers from Canada & the United States will be participating in the Championships. He asked the Committee for 4-5 volunteers for judging at this event.

#### **Sesqui Sports**

Vincenza Travale reported on behalf of Cecelia Carter-Smith that a Sesqui Olympic Athlete Sendoff was held at the Ramada Inn on June 26th. The event was a great success and was much appreciated by Hamilton's Olympic Medal Hopefuls.

#### **United Way Sesqui Comedy Weekend**

Vito Sgro reported that this event is planned to be held at the Royal Connaught Hotel, and that Yuk Yuk's has shown interest in participating.

#### **Sesqui Concert**

Vito Sgro informed the Committee that plans for this event are on hold, and that his committee is now considering a proposed "Voices of Hamilton" Concert in its place.

#### **Hamilton Farmer's Market Celebration**

Brian Hinkley reported that plans for the celebration are progressing well. Brian also remarked on the success of the Reception held at the Sheraton Hotel, and on the recognition of the stall workers who have felt forgotten in the past, but enjoyed the evening. Brian informed the Committee that the October Market Celebration will be self-supporting through sponsorship. 20 sponsorships were available at \$350 each, of which 17 have already been taken. Vincenza & Milt then committed Sesquicentennial to purchasing one of the remaining sponsorships.

#### **First Night '97**

David Adames reported that plans for this event are well under way, and that the "Call To Artists" has already been sent out.

#### **National Association of Japanese Canadians**

Kay Honda distributed a flier for the 6th Annual Community Picnic on August 11th at Christie Conservation Area. Kay also informed the Committee that a delegation from Fukuyama Japan will be taking part in the July 12th festivities.



**Public Speaking Festival**

Les Pasis reported that plans are progressing well for this event.

**Interfaith Committee**

John McCormack reported that a celebration of the Mountain Churches has been set for September 14th at Limeridge Mall, and that plans for other events are progressing well.

**5. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

Vincenza Travale, Co-Chair  
Hamilton Sesquicentennial Committee

Milton Lewis, Co-Chair  
Hamilton Sesquicentennial Committee

Kim Scott  
Executive Secretary  
1996 July 8th





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## NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

### Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

Monday, 1996 September 23

12:00 o'clock noon

Room 264, City Hall

Charlene Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee

## AGENDA

### 1. Gore Heritage Design Study - Summary of Options

Note: The Planning and Development Committee will hold a Public Meeting on 1996 October 2 to inform the public of various new planning options which are now available and which are being considered for Hamilton's Gore streetscape in order to improve existing buildings and ensure compatibility of new construction.

The Gore Heritage Design Study offers a vision of a restored Gore streetscape but at the same time provides for new replacement buildings, if and when a demand for new construction arises. Various initiatives under consideration address the issues of neglected and vacant buildings, signage, shadow casting, design of new buildings, storefront design, etc.

The focus of this Study is limited to the built environment of the Gore streetscape and is not intended to be a solution on its own, but rather to be part of a comprehensive plan which will also provide remedies for current economic and social issues in the downtown.

LACAC will meet on 1996 September 23 so that its comments on the Study can be forwarded to the Planning and Development Committee for consideration at its 1996 October 2 meeting.

### 2. Adjournment

Please note that the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee will still be held on Monday, 1996 October 7 (Agenda to follow)





## GORE HERITAGE DESIGN STUDY SUMMARY OF OPTIONS

(Note: Not all buildings on the Gore are experiencing problems. A number of buildings are well maintained and do not require the remedial work recommended below; the Right House and the Courthouse are two outstanding examples of historic buildings adapted to new uses.)

Part I, the Background Study, has described the architectural, historical and urban design reasons for the Gore's unique status in Hamilton: in order to retain and enhance this special character, the Gore would be identified as a Special Policy Area in the City of Hamilton Official Plan, thereby enabling new policies to be introduced for the careful management of this irreplaceable resource.

Part II presents various planning options which could address the problems identified in Part I.

| The Issues                             | City Initiatives Under Consideration                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Neglected, deteriorating facades    | <p>a) Preparation of Guidelines for Building Improvements for each building, based on standard principles, (Part II, 2.4 and 3.3), drawings and historical research (Appendix "A") completed in the Study.</p> <p>b) Establishing a 4-year facade restoration program in order to implement the Guidelines for Building Improvements. The program could make use of a revolving loan fund (Convert-to-Rent), facade improvement grants, and a local design facilitator, funding permitting (Part II, 5.2).</p> |
| 2. Visual clutter of signage           | <p>a) Preparation of a Signage Control By-law for the Gore, based on the standard principles identified in the Study (Part II, 3.4) and developed in conjunction with representatives from the Gore business community and sign making industry.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 3. Uncoordinated jumble of storefronts | <p>a) Preparation of Storefront Design Guidelines based on standard principles identified in the Study (Part II, 2.5) in order to establish a coordinated, attractive shopping nucleus in the centre of the City. The facade funding program could include storefront renovation if tied to the Guidelines, providing funding is available.</p>                                                                                                                                                                |
| 4. Vacancy of upper floors             | <p>a) Funding programs such as the proposed Convert-to-Rent program will help promote conversions of the upper floors in the downtown area. Economic</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |





revitalization of the Downtown is outside the parameters of this study. A recent report "Strong Medicine...A Prescription for the Heart of Hamilton-Wentworth" presents a number of economic development initiatives.

5. Incompatibility of New Construction

a) Because modern buildings on the Gore have been either oversized (at 4 times the traditional height) or undersized (at one-storey), a minimum and maximum height at the streetfront is being examined so that the Gore's architectural cohesion can be ensured. Similarly, design guidelines and a design review system based on the standard principles identified in the Study (Part II, 3.3) are also being investigated. To achieve greater density, sight-lines could be established and set-backs allowed.

6. Shadow Casting of Tall Buildings

a) Currently, the "I" zoning by-law permits buildings up to 30-storeys in height. Establishing set-backs for new buildings above a six-storey level will be investigated in order to provide sun access to Gore Park and at the same time allow increased density.

b) Design Guidelines and building envelopes could be prepared for each site and be made available to property owners, developers and any other interested party. To maintain an equilibrium in the Gore streetscape as well as equity among property owners, design guidelines for new construction would be similar on both sides of King St. East.

7. 1-storey, mall-type buildings

a) Traditionally the minimum height on the Gore was three storeys, which established a continuous urban enclosure around the open space of the Gore. In order to retain this critical feature, a minimum height limit is being investigated for the Gore buildings. The current Zoning By-law permits buildings of a one-storey height.

8. Threat of demolition and vacant lots

a) Because current regulations permit all but 3 (designated) buildings on the Gore to be demolished immediately upon request (once technical requirements of shutting off services were fulfilled under the Building Code), modifications would be necessary to prohibit unsightly gaps in the building





wall, the proliferation of parking lots and the loss of business which these buildings had formerly provided. Modifications could include requiring approval of a building permit for a replacement building before demolition is allowed (see Study, Part II, 5.1.6). Parking lots could be prohibited on the Gore under the Zoning By-law.

#### 9. Preservation of heritage buildings

-Not all buildings on the Gore should be preserved--traditionally each generation has contributed works of architecture since the Gore's inception over 150 years ago. In accordance with the principles of Sustainable Development and the wise use of resources, many of the present buildings are expected to be recycled, possibly many times over. It should be noted, however, that there is no permanent protection against demolition for any of the buildings on the Gore, not even the three buildings designated under the Ontario Heritage Act.

-Given the intent to preserve the best of the historical buildings for the future, designation would be considered for the buildings rated Primary in the Gore Study. Designation of the Gore as a Heritage Conservation District is not recommended due to the concern that it is too restrictive for the core of the central business district. (It should be noted that designation is most effective if it is done with the cooperation of the property owner.)

-To jump-start the renovation of the Gore buildings, a time-limited funding program is being investigated, funding permitting, as an incentive which would implement the Building Improvement Guidelines. Furthermore, to remove the disincentive of increased taxes caused by building improvements, an Increase Tax Deferral for 5 to 10 years will be examined.





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## NOTICE OF MEETING

URBAN MUNICIPAL

### **Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee**

SEP 30 1996

Tuesday, 1996 October 8  
5:00 o'clock p.m.

Planning Library, 7th Floor, City Hall

GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

Charlene Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee

## AGENDA

### 1. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- a) Minutes of Meeting held 1996 September 9
- b) Minutes of Special Meeting held 1996 September 23

### 2. DIRECTOR, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Designation of Lister Block - Report of the Conservation Review Board (report available at meeting)

### 3. OTHER BUSINESS

### 4. ADJOURNMENT

**Please note:** Immediately following the meeting, the recommendations from the Hamilton Society of Architects' Downtown Charrette will be presented to the Committee of the Whole from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in Room 233, City Hall.

At 7:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, City Council will present Rob Brough with the Ontario Heritage Foundation's Heritage Community Recognition Award in recognition of his outstanding commitment and contribution to the conservation of Hamilton's heritage.

All Committee Members are encouraged to attend both presentations following the LACAC meeting.





Monday, 1996 September 9  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 233, City Hall

The Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee met.

There were present: Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Reg Wheeler, Vice-Chairperson  
Alderman William McCulloch  
Brian Henley  
Jane Rigby  
Jeff Steadman  
Rob Hamilton

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Regrets: Alderman Frank D'Amico  
John Mokrycke  
Rob Brough

Also present: Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department  
Ann Gillespie, Planning and Development Department  
Joy Dubbeld, Planning and Development Department  
Mary Pocius, Central Area Plan Implementation Committee  
Anton Gudinskas, Durand Neighbourhood Association  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary

1. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

a) Architectural Tours

Committee Members were reminded of the upcoming Architectural Tours of Historic Hamilton Buildings and Landscapes presented by the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario, Hamilton Region Branch.

b) Vision 2020 - Sustainable Community

Committee Members were advised of the events planned in conjunction with Hamilton-Wentworth's Vision 2020 Sustainable Community Festival. Of particular interest were the heritage tours and workshops.

c) Heritage Community Recognition Program

Diane Dent advised Committee Members that the Ontario Heritage Foundation has notified the Mayor that the City's nomination of Rob Brough under the Heritage Community Recognition Program has been accepted.

Diane Dent agreed to contact Rob Brough to determine his availability to attend a future City Council meeting to be presented with this Award and will notify Nina Chapple accordingly so that the necessary arrangements can be made for this presentation.

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Committee was in receipt of the Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1996 July 15. These Minutes were adopted as circulated.

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a) Bellevue - Current Status

Discussion ensued on the current status of Bellevue, the listed building at 14 Belvidere Avenue.

Committee Members expressed their concerns respecting the future of this building, which has been vacant for the past year. Staff agreed to investigate further and will report back at the next meeting on any actions that can be taken to save this building.

b) Centenary United Church - Proposed Sign

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 August 29 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Committee Members were advised that the Research Sub-Committee sent a letter to the Church expressing its concerns that the placement of a large scale back-lit sign on the Church structure would be a detraction from the architectural quality of the building and that the size of the sign could cause physical damage to the brick and hide important architectural features of the building.

Joy Dubbeld, Planning and Development Department, indicated that the Church is still considering its original proposal but added that the Church has not yet made application for a building permit.

The Committee agreed that there is a need for sign control in the City of Hamilton and suggested that the Central Area Plan Implementation Committee be requested to revisit this issue.

c) Stinson Street School - Proposed Repair/Replacement of Slate Roofing

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 August 30 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Committee Members were advised that the repair/replacement of the slate roofing has been deferred until 1997.

The Information Report was received as circulated.

d) Custom House - Ontario Workers' Arts and Heritage Centre

Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department, advised Committee Members that the matter of the restoration of the basement windows and window wells on the north facade of the Custom House has been resolved. The windows have been covered up and the window wells have been rebuilt.

e) West Avenue School - Landscaping and Maintenance

Ann Gillespie, Planning and Development Department, advised Committee Members that she contacted the Department of Public Works and Traffic and



the Property Department to address the landscaping and maintenance concerns at West Avenue School that were raised by the Committee at its last meeting.

Committee Members were advised that the City has put off any repairs until 1997.

Some concerns were raised respecting the close proximity of the trees to the building and Staff were asked to contact the Ontario Heritage Foundation to determine if there is a minimum number of feet recommended for the planting of hedges, trees, etc. next to designated buildings.

f) Heritage Conservation Brochure

A copy of the Heritage Conservation Brochure as prepared by the Planning and Development Department was circulated for the Committee's information.

4. DIRECTOR, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

a) Former St. George's Church and Sunday School - Conservation Review Board Report and Designation Recommendation

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 August 30 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Committee approved the following:

- a) That the Report of the Conservation Review Board dated 1996 May 9 recommending the designation of the former St. George's Anglican Church and Sunday School at 137 Strathcona Avenue North/10 Tom Street, be adopted and that the Church property be designated pursuant to the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act; and,
- b) That the attached By-law designating the property at 137 Strathcona Avenue North/10 Tom Street be adopted.

b) Additions to Inventory - 151 Emerson Street and 230 Barton Street/276 Wellington Street North

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 August 29 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Brian Henley advised Committee Members that the owner of 151 Emerson Street approached him before the meeting to express his concerns that he was not notified by the Committee that it would be considering a report recommending that his property be added to the City's Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and Historical Interest. Considerable discussion ensued on the notification of property owners, however, the Committee agreed to take no action to change the current procedures for adding properties to the City's Inventory of Architectural and Historical Interest at this "list" is merely an internal mechanism to identify historically and/or architecturally significant buildings in the City, has no legal status and does not preclude that the building will be recommended for designation. Staff did explain that owners

are notified when and if the building is recommended for designation.

The Committee then approved the following:

That the following two commercial buildings be added to the City's Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and Historical Interest:

151 Emerson Street (built circa 1910 in the original village of West Hamilton)

230 Barton Street East/276 Wellington Street North (corner building erected circa 1890)

c) **Hamilton Courthouse Project - Heritage Permit**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 August 29 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter. This Information Report was received as circulated.

d) **St. Thomas Anglican Church - Proposed Sale of Building to City of Hamilton**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 August 29 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter. This Information Report was received as circulated.

e) **St. Mark's Centre**

Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department, advised Committee Members that while no applications have been made at this time, that there are a number of groups interested in using the St. Mark's Centre and will keep the Committee informed of any applications made to use this facility.

f) **Relocation of Dundurn Aviary**

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 July 15 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, to the Secretary, Parks and Recreation Committee, respecting the above-noted matter. This Information Report was received as circulated.

g) **1996 Designated and Commemorative Plaques**

The Committee was advised that the Research Sub-Committee at its meeting held 1996 July 30 reviewed the list of potential 1996 plaquing sites as made by the Committee at its 1996 July 15 meeting and recommended that the list be prioritized. The Committee agreed and endorsed the recommendation of the Research Sub-Committee as follows:

That the following plaquing sites be considered as priorities for 1996:

Commemorative Plaque - MacNab/Charles Heritage Conservation District

Designated Property Plaque - T.H. & B./GO Station

Jeff Steadman questioned whether or not he had a conflict of interest given



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that he is a property owner in the MacNab/Charles Heritage Conservation District and the Committee did not believe this to be a conflict.

The Secretary was directed to forward the prioritized list of plaquing sites to the Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee for consideration.

h) Gore Heritage Design Study

Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department, advised Committee Members that a preliminary draft of the Gore Heritage Design Study has been prepared and presented an overview of the Study.

The Committee agreed to hold a Special Meeting to review the Study in detail before this matter is forwarded to the Planning and Development Committee so that the Committee's comments can be taken into consideration.

Committee Members were also advised that the Hamilton Society of Architects will present its recommendations from the Downtown Charrettes to City Council on 1996 October 9.

Some discussion ensued on the possibility of setting up a Downtown Sub-Committee. Jane Rigby volunteered to serve on this Committee if established.

i) Stinson Neighbourhood Heritage Study

The Committee agreed to table this matter to the next meeting.

j) CN Station

Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department, advised Committee Members that the CN Station is now vacant and expressed concern that the building will not be heated during the winter months which may cause further deterioration of the building. Staff were asked to contact CN to determine the costs to provide minimal heating during the winter months and report back at the next meeting.

k) Lister Block - Added

The Committee was in receipt of a newspaper article that appeared in The Spectator on 1996 September 4 respecting a recent fire at the Lister Block. After considerable discussion, the Committee approved the following:

That the Chief Administrative Officer be requested to convene a meeting with representatives from the Fire Department, Hamilton-Wentworth Regional Police Department, Planning and Development Department and the Building Department to determine what courses of action can be taken by the City in securing the Lister Block located at 28-44 James Street North/5-21 King William Street, in light of three recent fires at the building.

l) CP Station - Added

The Committee was advised that the CP Station is now vacant and may

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possibly be endangered. The Committee agreed to refer this matter to the Research Sub-Committee to consider adding the CP Station to the City's Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and Historical Interest and to evaluate the building to determine whether or not it should be designated.

**5. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

The Committee received the following items of correspondence:

- a) Second Round Table meeting of Hamilton-Wentworth Regional LACAC's
- b) Community Heritage Ontario - Notice of Annual General Meeting
- c) Letter from Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation - Cancellation of Heritage funding

**6. COMMITTEE/SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Committee received for information the following Committee/Sub-Committee reports:

- a) Research Sub-Committee - Minutes of meeting held 1996 July 30
- b) Hamilton Historical Board - Minutes of meeting held 1996 June 11
- c) Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee - Minutes of meeting held 1996 July 8

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business the meeting then adjourned.

**Taken as read and approved**

**Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee**

**Charlene Touzel, Secretary**



Monday, 1996 September 23  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 264, City Hall

A Special Meeting of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee to Review the Gore Heritage Design Study was held.

There were present: Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Alderman Frank D'Amico  
Alderman William McCulloch  
Brian Henley  
Jane Rigby  
Rob Hamilton  
John Mokrycke

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Regrets: Reg Wheeler, Vice-Chairperson  
Rob Brough  
Jeff Steadman

Also present: Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department  
Ann Gillespie, Planning and Development Department  
Mary Pocius, Central Area Plan Implementation Committee  
Anton Gudinkas, Durand Neighbourhood Association  
Tony Butler, Research Sub-Committee  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary

1. **GORE HERITAGE DESIGN STUDY**

The Committee was in receipt of the preliminary draft of the Gore Heritage Design Study as prepared by the Planning and Development Department as well as a Summary of Options which included the issues addressed in the Study and the City initiatives under consideration.

Nina Chapple advised Committee Members that the Study will be presented to the Planning and Development Committee on 1996 October 2, at which time, a Public Meeting for the purposes of informing the public of various new planning options considered for Hamilton's Gore streetscape, will be held.

The purpose of this Special Meeting is to review the Study and to forward its comments to the Planning and Development Committee so that they can be taken into consideration when the Study is presented.

The Committee reviewed the Summary of Options in detail and approved the following:

That the Planning and Development Committee be advised that the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee enthusiastically supports the Gore Heritage Design Study in principle.

2. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business the meeting then adjourned.

**Taken as read and approved**

**Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee**

**Charlene Touzel, Secretary**





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## NOTICE OF MEETING

### **Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee**

**Monday, 1996 November 11  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 233, City Hall**

*for* S.M. Glover  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee

## AGENDA

### 1. PRESENTATION

Proposed Heritage Educational Program for the City of Hamilton (Barry Loynes, Welland, Ontario) (no copy)

### 2. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1996 October 8

### 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Lister Block - Status of Meeting to Secure Building - N. Chapple to Report (no copy)





5. **DIRECTOR, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

- a) CPR Station, 20 Studholme Road
- b) Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest - Criteria for Listing
- c) Burlington Canal Lighthouse and Keeper's Dwelling - Action Committee

**UPDATES**

- d) CN Station, 360 James Street North
- e) Bellevue, 14 Belvidere Ave.
- f) Hamilton Courthouse Project
- g) St. Mark's Centre (no copy)
- h) Stinson Neighbourhood Heritage Study and Inventory (no copy)

6. **COMMITTEE/SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Hamilton Historical Board - Minutes of meeting held 1996 September 10
- b) Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee - Minutes of meeting held 1996 September 9

7. **OTHER BUSINESS**

8. **ADJOURNMENT**





Tuesday, 1996 October 8  
5:00 o'clock p.m.  
Planning Library, 7th Floor  
Hamilton City Hall

The Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee met.

There were Present: Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Reg Wheeler, Vice-Chairperson  
Alderman William McCulloch  
Brian Henley  
Jeff Steadman  
Rob Brough

Regrets: Alderman Frank D'Amico  
Jane Rigby  
Rob Hamilton  
John Mokrycke

Also Presents: Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department  
Ann Gillespie, Planning and Development Department  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary

1. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The Committee was in receipt of the Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its Meeting held 1996 September 9 and its Special Meeting held 1996 September 23 and these Minutes were adopted as circulated.

2. **DIRECTOR, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

a) **Lister Block - Designation**

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 October 7 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department, advised Committee Members that a Conservation Review Board Hearing was held on 1996 May 9, at which time, the owner's objection to the designation of the Lister Block was withdrawn and the Conservation Review Board recommended that the building be designated by By-law under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act.

Some discussion ensued on the historical significance of this building and the Committee agreed to amend the Staff recommendation to recommend that the building be considered for federal designation as well.

After some discussion, the Committee approved the following Staff recommendation, as amended:

- a) That the report of the Conservation Review Board hearing held 1996 May 9 recommending the designation of the Lister Block at 28-44 James Street North/5-21 King William Street, be adopted, and that the property as outlined in the Reasons for Designation attached hereto and marked as Appendix "A", be designated pursuant to the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990; and,
- b) That the attached By-law designating the property at 28-44 James Street North/5-21 King William Street be adopted; and,



- c) That a letter be sent to the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada requesting that the Lister Block, located at 28-44 James Street North/5-21 King William Street, be evaluated for recognition as a National Historic Site.

The Secretary advised Committee Members that a meeting with the City's Chief Administrative Officer and representatives from the Building, Planning and Development, Fire and Regional Municipality of Hamilton-Wentworth Police Departments will be held on 1996 October 16 at 3:00 p.m. to discuss ways of securing the Lister Block in light of three recent fires in this building.

Reg Wheeler suggested that the City install smoke detectors in the Lister Block. Jeff Steadman suggested that the Fire Department and a security company be contacted before the 1996 October 16 meeting to determine the options available to the City as they relate to smoke detectors and security systems and the costs involved. Nina Chapple agreed to follow through on this suggestion.

- b) **ADDED REPORT - Hamilton GO Centre/T.H.& B. Station, 36 Hunter Street East - Heritage Permit for New Signage**

The Committee was in receipt of an ADDED Report dated 1996 October 8 respecting the above-noted matter.

The Committee approved the following:

That a Heritage permit be approved for two generic letter signs (NEWSSTAND & PARCEL CHECK and PARCEL CHECK) to be installed on the bulkheads over the roll-down metal doors in the south-west and south-east corners of the concourse.

Ann Gillespie, Planning and Development Department, also brought to the Committee's attention that GO Transit is interested in having the sidewalk on the south side of the Hamilton GO Centre named Beckley Lane after the President of the T.H. & B. Railway Company. The Committee endorsed this request and agreed to send a letter indicating its support to the Senior Director, Roads Department.

### 3. **OTHER BUSINESS**

- a) **Resignation of Member - Rob Hamilton**

Committee Members were advised that Rob Hamilton has tendered his resignation from the Committee given the fact that he has accepted a job in Toronto.

The Committee was advised that Rob Hamilton was also a member of the Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee and that they are experiencing difficulty in establishing a quorum with this vacant position. After some discussion, Jeff Steadman agreed to fill this vacancy for a six month period.

The vacancy on the Committee itself would have to be addressed at the next meeting.

- b) **Gore Heritage Design Study**

Nina Chapple advised Committee Members that the Gore Heritage Design Study report was approved by the Planning and Development Committee on 1996 October 2 and will be presented to City Council this evening.



c) **Second Round Table Meeting of Hamilton-Wentworth Region LACACs**

The Committee was in receipt of an invitation to attend the second Round Table meeting of Hamilton-Wentworth LACACs to be held on 1996 October 26 in Waterdown. Members interested in attending were asked to contact Nina Chapple at their earliest convenience.

4. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

Charlene Touzel, Secretary

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## CITY OF HAMILTON

### - RECOMMENDATION -

**DATE:** 1996 October 31

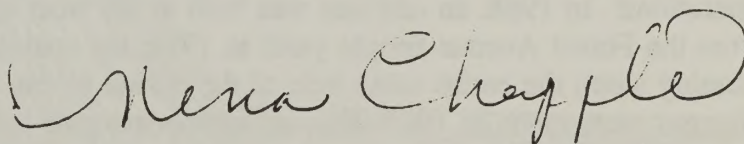
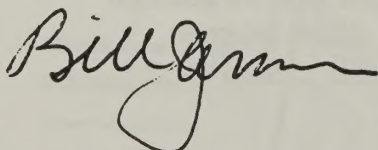
**REPORT TO:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

**FROM:** V. J. Abraham, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.  
Director of Planning and Development

**SUBJECT:** CPR Station, 20 Studholme Road

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That the CPR Station at 20 Studholme Road (near Aberdeen Avenue) be added to the *Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest*.



**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:** N/A

#### BACKGROUND:

##### Current Status

In response to concerns recently expressed by a private citizen in a letter addressed to Alderman McCulloch regarding the future of the vacant Aberdeen station, the Research Subcommittee evaluated the building at its last meeting held 1996 October 29 and agreed that it should be added to the Inventory. Typical in design of small Ontario railway stations built around the turn-of-the century, it is one of few remaining in the Hamilton area. The Subcommittee also discussed potential new uses for the building in the long term. It was pointed out that, if the railway tracks were ever to become redundant, the corridor could become part of the *rails to trails* system (creating a safe pedestrian/ bicycle route across the 403). The CP Station might then be converted into a trail centre similar to the reconstructed railway station in the Dundas Valley conservation area.



Since this meeting, Heritage Planning staff contacted a CP employee with a particular interest in the history of the TH&B Railway and gained information on the current status and of the Aberdeen station and its historical importance. Up until this year, the building housed offices for CP Freight Services, recently relocated to Welland. However, although the building is now vacant and boarded up, there is a possibility it may become functional again. The CP building on Longwood Avenue South may be sold to GO Transit; and if this happens the CP employees currently working there could be relocated to the Aberdeen station. In short, the station has been mothballed and is not under any immediate threat of demolition. It was also confirmed that although 13 of the 15 tracks comprising the south yard alongside the station were closed, the north yard is still fully active.

### Historical Background

The Aberdeen station is one of few surviving historic structures associated with the Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo Railway. These include the former TH&B Station on Hunter Street (new Hamilton GO Centre), the interlocking tower\* at 161 Dundurn Street South (now *Commercial Upholstery*) and two small stations at Smithville and Brantford.

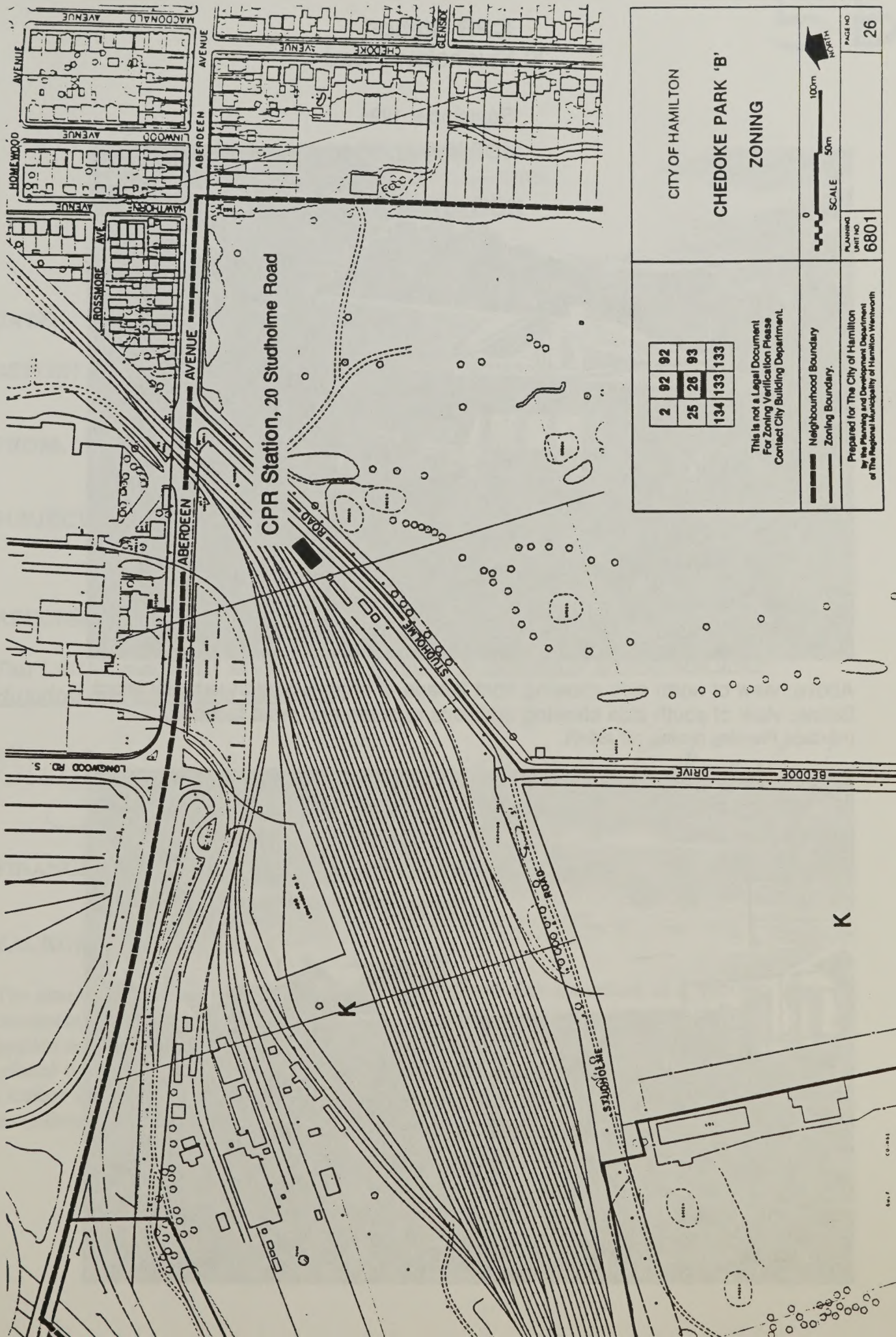
The Aberdeen station was not built as a passenger station and was never an official stop on any TH&B schedule, although it is known that the gas-electric car did make passenger stops there. The station was intended to accommodate the yardmaster and clerical staff for freight operations. In 1968, an addition was built at the west end to accommodate staff relocated from the Forest Avenue freight yard; in 1972, the station was again enlarged with an addition running along the entire south side of the station facing Studholme Road. More internal changes were made in 1989-90 to accommodate staff relocated from the main station on Hunter Street East.

\* This building served to control the switches to the roundhouse and tracks. It was closed in August 1952 when traffic control was centralized at the main station.

Map and photographs attached; colour photographs available at meeting.



# CPR Station and Freight Yard



CPR Station, 20 Studholme Road

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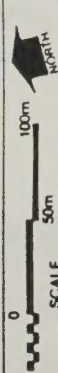
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Neighbourhood Boundary  
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## CHEDOKE PARK 'B' ZONING



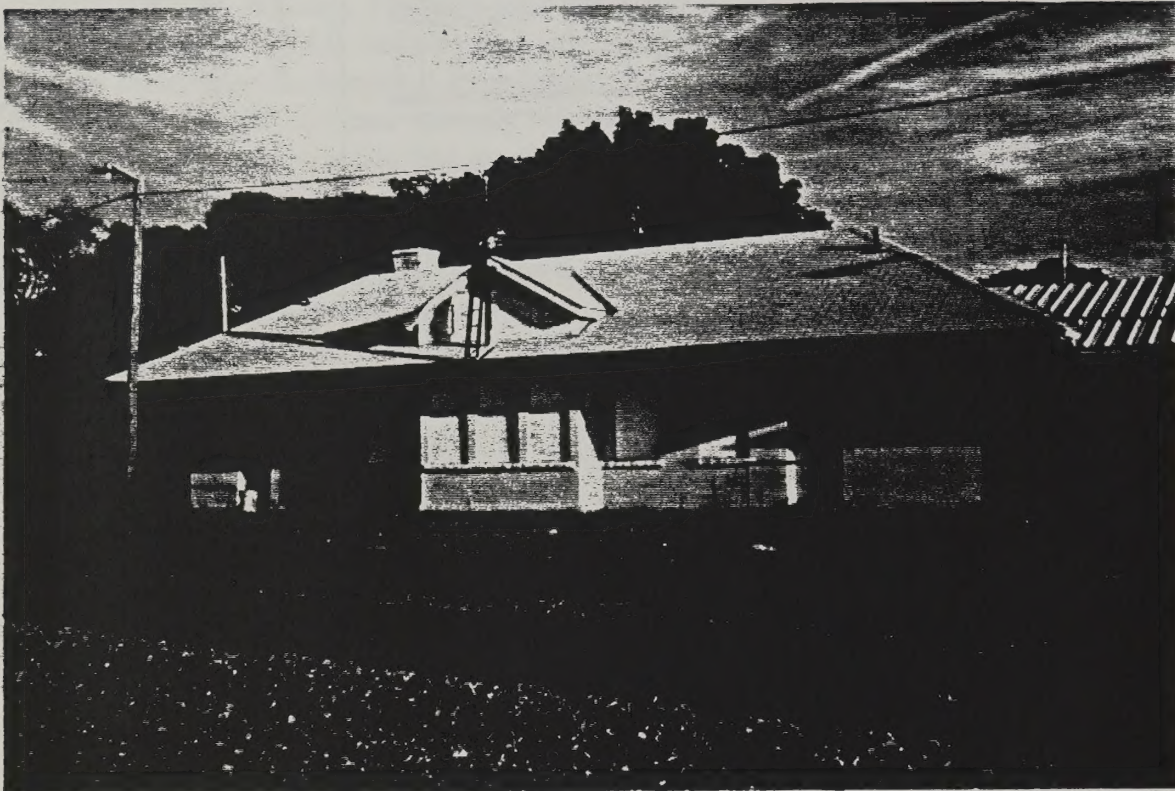
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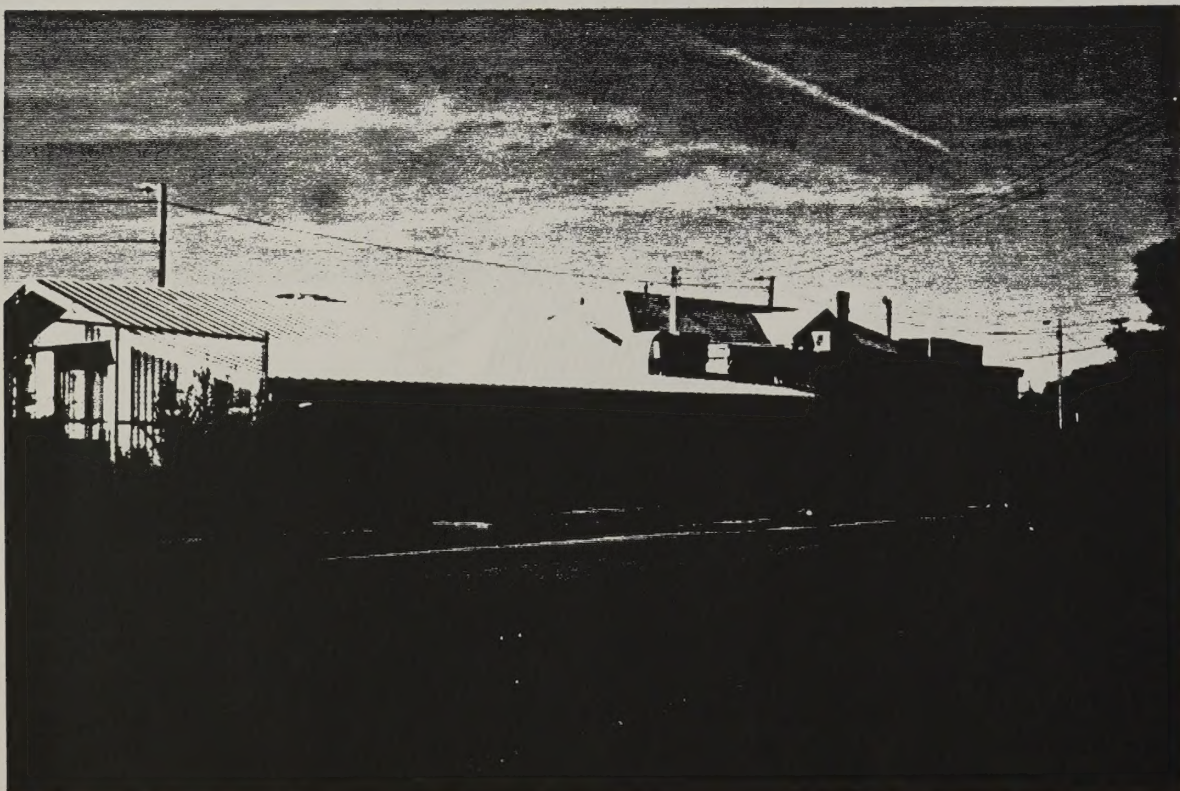


**CPR Station**  
**20 Studholme Road**

September 1996



Above: view of north side showing front facade of original station virtually intact.  
Below: view of south side showing additions to south and west facades.  
(Heritage Planning photos, roll #96-7)





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**CITY OF HAMILTON**

**- RECOMMENDATION -**

**DATE:** 1996 November 4

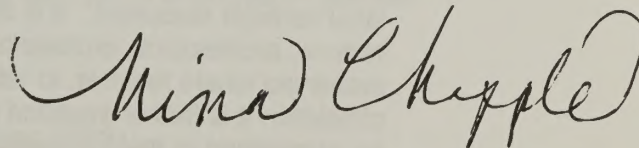
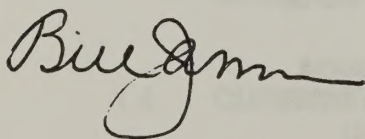
**REPORT TO:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

**FROM:** V. J. Abraham, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.  
Director of Planning and Development

**SUBJECT:** Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest -  
Criteria for Listing

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That LACAC endorse the attached report: Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or  
Historical Interest: Criteria for Listing



**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:** N/A

**BACKGROUND:**

The attached report has been used by LACAC's Research Sub-committee as a working document for several years, during which the *criteria for listing* have been consistently applied to the evaluation of buildings for addition to the Inventory. The criteria have been refined over this time. The Research Sub-committee agreed at its last meeting held 1996 October 29 that since the criteria are now in their final form, the full Inventory report should be endorsed by LACAC.

# INVENTORY OF BUILDINGS OF ARCHITECTURAL AND/OR HISTORICAL INTEREST

## CRITERIA FOR LISTING

### 1. INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 BACKGROUND

Conservation of Hamilton's significant heritage properties has been an established policy of City Council since 1976. In that year, Hamilton City Council first took action to protect important buildings by means of designation under the Ontario Heritage Act. This provincial legislation, established in 1975, had delegated the responsibility to safeguard heritage resources to the local municipalities.

To assist in the recognition and protection of local historic building stock, the Province (through the Ministry of Culture and Citizenship, now the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation) advised municipalities to prepare Inventories of buildings of historical and architectural interest.

In Hamilton, the goal of conserving and restoring heritage buildings and districts is formally recognized in the City's Official Plan:

"The intent of this Plan is to sensitively manage the wealth of local heritage resources. It is intended that those resources of historic, architectural, archaeological and aesthetic merit will be preserved where feasible, to retain the City's distinctive character. It is further intended that the appropriate measures be established to meld preservation with rehabilitation to ensure that these resources will be recycled for active use." (C.6)

#### 1.2 PURPOSE

To provide a comprehensive and systematic record of the city's architectural resources for the use of the general public, councils, municipal and regional staff, agencies, provincial ministries, etc.

To establish a reliable data base for use in identifying the typical, the special, the strengths, and the unique aspects of Hamilton's architectural character.

To serve as an in-house working document primarily for use by the LACAC Research Sub-committee and heritage planning staff.

To establish a check-list for notification of changes to the listed building stock. This notification provides an opportunity to comment on and/or discuss proposals. With "listed" buildings, there are no legal restrictions



and the applications are processed as usual.

To serve as a resource for public education.

### **1.3 DESCRIPTION**

The Inventory is a list of Hamilton properties, buildings and structures of architectural and historical interest approved by the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee (LACAC). It is through LACAC that additions or deletions to this Inventory are made.

The first phase of the Inventory is to assess the value of Hamilton's existing building stock, based on the building's exterior appearance and readily available historical information. This initial evaluation is based on the merits of the building and setting and is made without formal contact with the property owner. (Criteria for the assessment are attached.)

The building is recorded on a standardized form under its address, and is documented with a photograph and reasons for listing (A: Architectural; C: Contextual; H: Historical).

The order of the Inventory is as follows: the Central Area neighbourhoods, to be followed by the adjacent neighbourhoods, as approved by LACAC. This order was chosen due to expected redevelopment pressures.

The Inventory is not considered a final document at any one time; characteristically, an Inventory responds to changes made to the building stock and surroundings as well as to changes in cultural attitudes.

### **1.4 CURRENT STATUS (as of October 1996)**

The City of Hamilton currently has approximately 3,000 buildings on the Inventory, representing less than 2% of its building stock.

At present, the Inventory is kept on file in both the Planning and Building Departments.

The Inventory is a working document. Currently, the Inventories for the Beasley and Stinson Neighbourhoods are in progress.

Information on the Inventory is always available to the public upon request.

### **1.5 IMPLICATIONS OF LISTING**

No legal restrictions are imposed on a building through its listing on the Inventory.



Information and technical assistance are available to owners of listed properties on appropriate renovation and methods, and alternatives to demolition. Heritage funding is available only to those properties designated under the Ontario Heritage Act.

As part of the normal review process, the Building and Planning Departments routinely request comments on "listed" buildings for building/ demolition permit applications and for zoning/ site plan control applications, respectively.

## **1.6 LONG-TERM PLANS**

One of the long-term goals of LACAC is to establish the Inventory as a computerized data base, to be made available to property owners and public upon request.

Notification to property owners of "listed" buildings is not recommended at this point primarily because there are no restrictions placed on the property. Furthermore, there is no staff time available for handling the following:

- notification in the event of change of ownership;
- objections by property owners to the addition or omission of their properties;
- lobbying by property owners for inclusion or removal of their properties from the Inventory;
- demolition of buildings due to a misunderstanding of the scope, purpose and effect of the Inventory;
- misunderstanding of the Inventory due to its incompleteness.

(Note: In Toronto, notification of additions to the Inventory is estimated to require more than one full-time staff person to undertake the administrative aspects with property owners, municipal committees, etc.)

Before printing of the Inventory, the following steps are considered necessary:

- completion of the Central Area Neighbourhoods Inventory;
- approval of an Inventory Policy Report;
- publication of an introductory brochure on the Inventory which will explain its purpose, scope, goals and criteria;
- additional initiatives as recommended by LACAC.



## 2. CRITERIA

The architectural-contextual evaluation is based on site visits and photographs of the building's exterior appearance. No inspection is made of the interior or the structural condition of the building. The following criteria are based on and selected from the Parks Canada booklet, The Evaluation of Historic Buildings by Harold Kalman, which established a standard for architectural evaluation for Canada at the time of its publication in 1979.

### 2.1 ARCHITECTURE

Under architecture, it is the exterior appearance of a building that is considered; in particular, its public facades as seen from the street.

#### 2.1.1 STYLE

Style and design are closely interrelated aspects of the buildings visual qualities. In terms of style, the assessment measures a building's relationship to established architectural styles. For example, significance can be based on such aspects as whether a building is a text-book example of a high-style; an unusual, authentic example of a vernacular style; a unique or rare example; or a particularly well-preserved and outstanding example of a characteristic style in Hamilton.

Comparison to buildings of similar styles is recommended.

- A
  - Perfect or extremely early example if many survive
  - Excellent example if few survive; or stylistically unique example
- B
  - Excellent or very early example if many survive
  - Good example if few survive
- C
  - Good example if many survive
- D
  - Fair example if many survive
- X
  - Of no particular interest

#### 2.1.2 BUILDING TYPE

It is the rare building type or unusual structure, which would warrant a high rating in this category, for example, a railway roundhouse or lime kiln magazine. Also of importance is the rare survivor of a formerly common building type, such as the one-room rural schoolhouse.

- A
  - Extremely rare building type or highly unusual structure
  - Rare survivor of a formerly common building type
- B
  - Uncommon building type or structure
  - Uncommon survivor of formerly common building type

- X • No rating (standard building type)

### 2.1.3 AESTHETIC QUALITY

In terms of design, it is the aesthetic quality of the building (taking into consideration both the original and current design) that is being measured. Aspects considered in the overall success of a design may include the following:

- shape, profile and composition
- relationship of mass and void
- sculptural three-dimensional qualities
- proportion and scale
- colour and texture
- decorative elements and all other detailing including windows, doors, wall surfaces, etc.

- A • Excellent
- B • Very Good
- C • Good
- X • Poor

### 2.1.4 CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS AND METHODS

Evaluation of buildings in terms of the type of construction materials concentrates on the rare, early or exceptional example. No structural investigation is undertaken at this time; evaluation is based only on the visual evidence unless documented information is already available.

- A • perfect, rare or extremely early example if many survive
  - excellent example if few survive
- B • excellent or very early example if many survive;
  - good example if few survive
- C • good example if many survive
- X • of no particular interest

### 2.1.5 ARCHITECTURAL INTEGRITY

Architectural integrity is measured in terms of the degree of preservation of the original building and the relative lack of alterations. If changed, these alterations are assessed in terms of their appropriateness and compatibility and the degree to which they affect the original building.



Reversible alterations in this sense means those changes or additions which can be removed or changed back without incurring any damage to the original structure.

- A • Unchanged
- B • Change is minor and reversible
- C • Change is major but reversible
- X • Change is irreversible

#### 2.1.6 ARCHITECT/BUILDER

Added value is assigned to a structure if it is designed or built by an architect or builder who has made a significant contribution to the community, province, or nation.

- A • Architect or builder of particular importance to the history of the community, province, or nation
- B • Architect or builder of considerable importance to the history of the community or province
- C • Architect or builder of local importance

## 2.2 CONTEXT

This assessment considers both the contribution of the building to the streetscape and the value of the surrounding streetscape itself.

#### 2.2.1 VALUE OF SURROUNDING STREETSCAPE/LANDSCAPE

This category measures the quality of the natural and built environment of the surrounding streetscape. The evaluation addresses the building group as a whole - its coherence, frequency of occurrence, size, style and design - as well as the quality of the open space and landscape features.

- A • Excellent (very old, rare or distinguished group of buildings, landscape or urban design)
- B • Good (coherent grouping of buildings, identifiable landscape or urban design)
- C • Fair (common grouping of buildings; area in transition which retains considerable original character)
- X • Surrounding streetscape of no value

## **2.2.2 CONTRIBUTION OF THE BUILDING TO THE STREETSCAPE/LANDSCAPE**

This category assumes the dominant character of the streetscape is a positive one; if not, rating does not apply.

- A** • Excellent (major factor in establishing the dominant character)
- B** • Very Good (contributes to dominant character)
- C** • Compatible (with dominant character)
- X** • Incompatible (with dominant character)

## **2.2.3 LANDMARK VALUE**

A building may be a landmark if it is a physically prominent or conspicuous structure which is perceived by the community to have a special visual or cultural value that transcends its function.

- A** • Outstanding (important to City)
- B** • Very Good (important to larger neighbourhood)
- C** • Good (important to immediate surroundings)

## **2.3 HISTORY**

Historical significance is based on the building's close association with an important person, event, broad patterns of cultural, social, economic, political, military, or industrial history, and/or with a significant period in the local community's development. Since research of individual buildings is not being undertaken extensively in this first phase of the Inventory, historical rating will be based primarily on information available from site inspections and existing research.

### **2.3.1 PERSON**

The building is associated with the life or activities of a person, group, organization, institution or business which has made a significant contribution to the community, province or nation. In the case of a municipal evaluation such as this Inventory, local significance can be deemed to be of considerable importance.

- A** • Primary importance, close association with building
- B** • Primary importance, loosely connected with building  
• Secondary importance, close association with building
- C** • Secondary importance, loosely connected with building



### 2.3.2 EVENT

The building is associated with an event which has made a significant contribution to the community, province, or nation.

- A • Primary importance, close association with building
- B • Primary importance, loosely connected with building  
• Secondary importance, close association with building
- C • Secondary importance, loosely connected with building

### 2.3.3 BROAD HISTORICAL PATTERNS

The building is effectively illustrative of broad patterns of cultural, social, political, economic, military or industrial history.

- A • Primary importance, close association with building
- B • Primary importance, loosely connected with building  
• Secondary importance, close association with building
- C • Secondary importance, loosely connected with building

### 2.3.4 LOCALLY SIGNIFICANT DATE

The age of a building becomes significant if it is comparatively old in the context of its region. It is of particular importance if that era is an early formative period, not well represented in the present-day city.

- A • Pre-confederation Era (includes first settlement of the area, the founding of Hamilton in 1816, the establishment of a Police Village in 1833 and the Incorporation of the City of Hamilton in 1846)
- B • Between 1867 and 1900 (includes the transition from a primarily wholesale centre to an industrial city)
- C • Between 1900 and 1940 (includes the expansion as an industrial city to World War II)

## **2.4 EVALUATION**

To warrant inclusion in the Inventory, a building must rate at a certain level or above. The suggested level for inclusion is:

- (i) as a single category rating, a minimum of one "B" rating, e.g. one of the following:

Context: B

Architecture: B

History: B

- (ii) as a multiple category rating a minimum of a "C" in two of the three categories, e.g. one of the following:

C in both Context and Architecture

C in both Architecture and History

C in both History and Context



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## CITY OF HAMILTON

### - RECOMMENDATION -

**DATE:** 1996 October 31

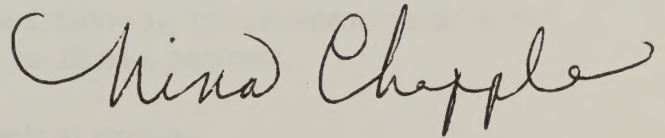
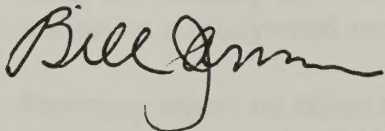
**REPORT TO:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

**FROM:** V. J. Abraham, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.  
Director of Planning and Development

**SUBJECT:** Burlington Canal Lighthouse and Keeper's Dwelling - Action Committee

### RECOMMENDATION:

That the Action Committee established to investigate possible uses for the Burlington Canal Lighthouse and Keeper's Dwelling be re-activated and additional members appointed.



**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:** N/A

### BACKGROUND:

An Action Committee, chaired by Reg Wheeler, was established by LACAC in June 1991. The committee was to be co-chaired by Gil Simmons, who subsequently resigned from this position.

The lighthouse complex was designated under the Ontario Heritage Act in June 1996 (By-law 96-115). Both buildings are owned by Public Works Canada; the lighthouse has long been out of service and the residence has stood vacant since 1991 and used only for storage. Both were evaluated in 1990 by the Federal Heritage Buildings Review Office (F.H.B.R.O.), with the result that the lighthouse alone was identified as a "*recognized*" federal heritage building. It should be noted that there are no conservation standards for properties listed on the Register of Federal Heritage Buildings, which can be enforced by F.H.B.R.O. The responsibility for maintenance and protection lies with each federal department, in this case, Public Works Canada.

While the regulations of the Ontario Heritage Act do not apply as long as the lighthouse and keeper's dwelling remain in federal ownership, the structures would be subject to the provisions of the Act in the event that they are sold to the City, Region or a private owner.

The lighthouse complex constitutes a valuable local heritage resource. The opening of the Lake Ontario Waterfront Trail has created new opportunities for heritage tourism along the lakeshore. In this context, the adaptive re-use of the lighthouse and lightkeeper's dwelling should be considered: possible uses include a tourist information office and/ or marine museum.



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**CITY OF HAMILTON**

**- INFORMATION -**

**DATE:** 1996 November 4

**REPORT TO:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

**FROM:** V. J. Abraham, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.  
Director of Planning and Development

**SUBJECT:** CN Station, 360 James Street North

It has been brought to the attention of Heritage Planning staff that CN recently closed its maintenance shop at 360 James Street North, leaving the station complex entirely vacant. Without the presence of staff on site, the CN Station is now prone to vandalism. In addition, it is expected that the building will not be heated over the winter months, which could lead to further deterioration. At the City's request, as recommended by LACAC, some heat was left on in the building last winter for conservation reasons, following improvements made to the station by a Hollywood movie production company for filming purposes.

Summary report on status and actions to date available at meeting.





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## CITY OF HAMILTON

### - INFORMATION -

**DATE:** 1996 November 1

**REPORT TO:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

**FROM:** V. J. Abraham, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.  
Director of Planning and Development

**SUBJECT:** Bellevue, 14 Belvidere Avenue

#### Heritage Status

The property known as "Bellevue" at 14 Belvidere Avenue is designated under the Ontario Heritage Act as a building of architectural and historical significance.

Built in 1848-50 overlooking the mountain brow, "Bellevue" was one of the earliest escarpment estates and one of a select number of early mansions constructed of local limestone. Similar to Whitehern, its Classical Revival design displays a fine sense of proportion and scale and high level of craftsmanship. The house was built for John Bradley, an Irishman who attained local prominence as a businessman and politician.

#### Recent Events and Current Status

The house has been standing vacant for several years and was recently broken into by local youths who occupied the house until the police, alerted by a neighbour, arrived on the scene. Some windows were apparently broken but the full extent of the damage has not yet been assessed. The Building Department has since notified the Fire Department to ensure that the the building is properly secured to prevent further break-ins.

The house has not been maintained since the last occupants moved out about two years ago; and its condition has undoubtedly worsened as a result of the recent break-in and vandalism. However, the property taxes are paid up to date and there are no outstanding work orders. A neighbour did file a complaint with the Building Department earlier this year about the unkempt state of the grounds; and an *Order to Comply* was subsequently issued and complied with.

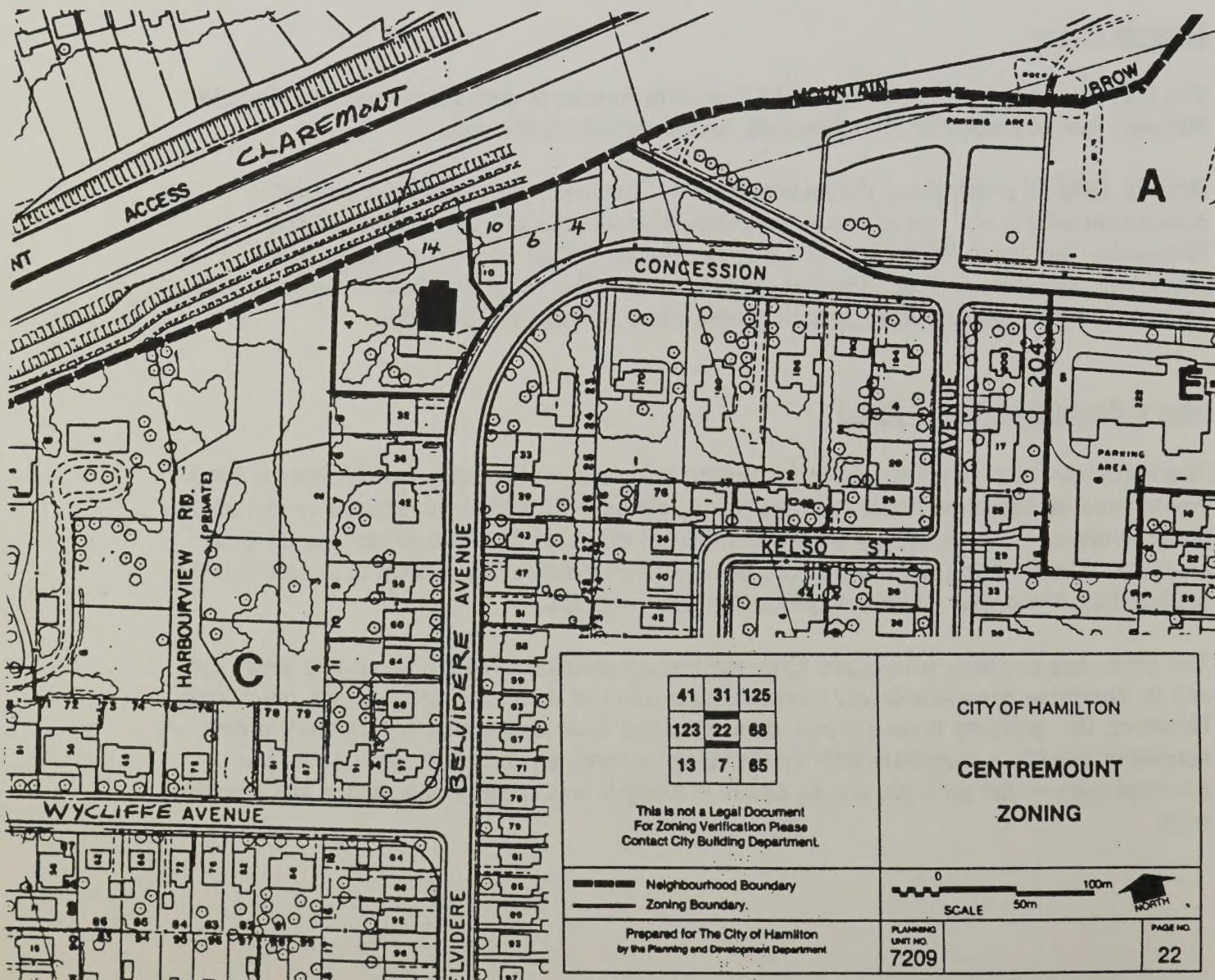


## Background

The property is owned by Clair Sellens. In 1971, Mr. Sellens obtained permission to sever the original parcel of land comprising four lots of record into six single-family residential lots before purchasing the property from Mr. and Mrs. Innes. Bellevue stands on one of these lots.\* His intention was to demolish the stone house, which stood vacant for a number of years and was vandalized before an arrangement was made with *The Family of God*. In 1980, he donated the building to this religious organization, which agreed to lease the land for an 8-year term. According to member Dennis Wiedrick, his group moved out in 1994 after deciding not to renew their extended lease. Ownership of the house then reverted back to Mr. Sellens.

The property was designated under the Ontario Heritage Act in 1982 at the request of *The Family of God* and in accordance with the recommendation of the Conservation Review Board. A CRB hearing was held as a result of an objection to the proposed designation filed by Mr. Sellens.

\* New houses have been built on the three severed lots to the east of Bellevue but the two lots to the west remain undeveloped; the high cost of providing municipal services to these two L-shaped lots may be the reason.





ROBERT M. MORROW  
MAYOR



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1996 October 18

Mr. Reg F. Watkins  
Senior Project Manager  
Ontario Realty Corporation  
Project Development Branch  
Property Development Division  
720 Bay St. 4th Floor  
Toronto, ON M5G 2K1

Dear Mr. Watkins:

**Re: Hamilton Courthouse Project**

Thank you for taking the time recently to meet with the City's Chief Administrative Officer, Joe Pavelka and our staff to discuss the progress and timing of the Courthouse Project.

As discussed at the meeting, the City of Hamilton is anxiously awaiting the completion of this project because it is one key element in the overall strategy for the revitalization of the downtown. The new Courthouse is expected to bring more people right into the heart of the downtown which will provide customers to do business on King and John Streets. In addition, vacant space in from the old Courthouse locations could be filled with new businesses. The new Courthouse is expected to be a significant traffic generator in Hamilton's Downtown.

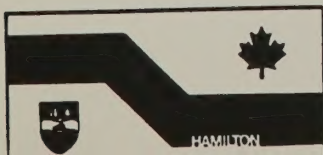
While it is understood that the project is likely to be finished later in the Fall of 1998, any opportunity to finish the project sooner would be of significant benefit to rejuvenating our Downtown. In addition, it is our understanding that there are also significant provincial saving with consolidated court facilities. Accordingly, the sooner this new facility is opened, the sooner the province will be gaining its operating savings and the sooner the traffic to and from the Courthouse will add vibrance to a part of our Downtown in need of an initiative.

Once again thank you for your time and interest. Please keep us informed of the progress on the project as the City is committed to ensuring the Courthouse project is finished as quickly as possible. Please let me know if there is anything we can do to assist.

Yours truly

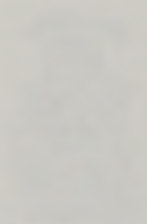
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The purpose of this document is to provide a comprehensive overview of the project's progress and to identify any potential risks or issues that may arise. The document is intended for use by the project team and stakeholders, and it should be updated regularly to reflect the latest information.

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**CITY OF HAMILTON**

**- INFORMATION -**

**DATE:** 1996 October 8

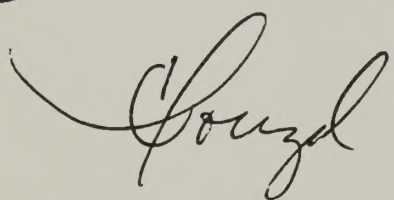
**REPORT TO:** Kevin C. Christenson, Secretary  
Parks and Recreation Committee

**FROM:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Hamilton Historical Board

**SUBJECT:** Hamilton Historical Board Minutes - 1996 September 10

**BACKGROUND:**

Attached for the information of the Parks and Recreation Committee are the minutes of the Hamilton Historical Board for its meeting held 1996 September 10 as adopted by the Board on 1996 October 8.



attached

cc Secretary, Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

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Tuesday, 1996 September 10  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 233, City Hall

The Hamilton Historical Board met.

There were present: David Beland, Chairperson  
Walter Peace, Vice-Chairperson  
Alderman William McCulloch  
Alderman Bernie Morelli  
Gordon Birk  
David Cuming  
Brian Henley  
Stephen Kostyshyn  
Jack McBurney  
Carolyn McCann  
Joyce Newman  
Victoria Reiding  
Claire Riddell

Also present: Ross Fair, Director, Culture and Recreation Department  
Marilynn Havelka, Culture and Recreation Department  
Margaret Anderson-Herrmann, Friends of the Hamilton  
Children's Museum  
Christine Smurlick, Friends of the Hamilton Children's  
Museum  
Leslie Waterhouse, Friends of the Hamilton Children's  
Museum  
Joseph Kipp, Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum  
Diane Collins, Curator, Hamilton Children's Museum  
Dennis Missett  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary

1. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

David Beland, Chairperson, called the meeting to order and thanked Walter Peace, Vice-Chairperson, for Chairing the past two Board meetings in his absence.

2. PRESENTATION

The Hamilton Children's Museum - Birthday Party Report - Margaret Anderson-Herrmann, Chairperson, Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 September as prepared by Margaret Anderson-Herrmann, President, Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum, respecting the 18th Annual Birthday Party which was held at the Hamilton Children's Museum on 1996 July 18.

Margaret Anderson-Herrmann introduced Christine Smurlick, Leslie Waterhouse and Joseph Kipp, Executive Members of the Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum and Diane Collins, Curator, Hamilton Children's Museum.

The Board congratulated the Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum for their efforts in organizing such a successful event and for their ongoing fundraising and promotional efforts in support of the Hamilton Children's Museum.

Margaret Anderson-Herrmann informed Board Members that the Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum will present a cheque in the amount of \$2,500 (\$2,425.54 of which was raised at the 18th Annual Birthday Party) to the Parks and Recreation Committee at its 1996 September 17 meeting to cover the costs of an exhibit computer for public use at the Hamilton Children's Museum.



Board Members were in receipt of an Added Report dated 1996 September 10 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the expenditure of funds from the Hamilton Children's Museum Reserve Account for the purchase of a computer for the Hamilton Children's Museum. The Board approved the following:

- a) That the Director of the Culture and Recreation Department be authorized to spend up to \$2,500 from the Hamilton Children's Museum's Reserve Account for the purchase of a computer for public use in the exhibition area at the Hamilton Children's Museum; and,
- b) That the funds be withdrawn from Reserve Account No. CH 5X946 00183.

### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Board was in receipt of the Minutes of the Hamilton Historical Board for its meeting held 1996 August 13. These Minutes were adopted as circulated.

### 4. DIRECTOR, CULTURE AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

#### a) Whitehern Trust Account - Purchase of Specialized Wallpaper

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 September 3 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

A sample of the wallpaper being recommended for purchase for the McQuesten bedroom was circulated and the Board approved the following:

That the Director of the Culture and Recreation Department be authorize to utilize \$2,500 of the funds available in the Trust Account No. CH 25215 00183 to cover additional costs associated with the purchase of wallpaper recommended for the restoration of the T.B. McQuesten bedroom at Whitehern.

#### b) Deaccessioning of Three Dimensional Objects - Hamilton Military Museum

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 September 3 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Board approved the following:

- a) That approval be given to the Director of the Culture and Recreation Department to deaccession the three dimensional objects from the Hamilton Military Museum's collection attached hereto and marked as Appendix "A"; and,
- b) That the items be disposed of according to the Museum's Policy and City of Hamilton's Purchasing Policy.

#### c) Grounds Use Request - Whitehern

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 September 3 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Board approved the following:

That the YWCA Garden Luncheon and Museum Tour grounds use request for Whitehern on 1996 September 29 and October 6 be approved.



d) Marketing Activities

The Board was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 September 3 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Copies of the Educational Program Brochures as prepared by the Culture and Recreation Department for the City of Hamilton Museums were circulated for the Board's information.

e) An Evening in Scotland - Hamilton Military Museum and Dundurn Castle

The Board was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 August 30 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter. This Information Report was received as circulated.

f) Dundurn Delights Flower Show

The Board was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 September 3 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter. This Information Report was received as circulated.

5. DIVISION UPDATEa) Stables Building - Dundurn Castle

A site visit of the Stables Building at Dundurn Castle was conducted just prior to today's meeting.

David Cuming, who participated in the site visit, indicated that the project has tremendous potential, but asked that Staff report back to the Hamilton Historical Board on the plans for the Courtyard and Aviary area.

Marilynn Havelka circulated the colour boards showing the colours selected for the interior and exterior of the Stables Building for the Board's information.

b) Dundurn Castle

Marilynn Havelka advised Board Members that the maintenance issues raised at the last Board meeting have been rectified and added that a Maintenance Manual for Dundurn Castle and Whitehern have been prepared. A rough draft of the Maintenance Manual for Whitehern was circulated for the Board's information.

c) Disaster Plan for City Museums

Marilynn Havelka reported that Thérèse Charbonneau, Conservator, has completed a Disaster Plan for each of the City's Museums. A copy of Whitehern's Disaster Plan was circulated for the Board's information.

Board Members were invited to join the Staff of the Culture and Recreation Department in an Emergency Preparedness Training Session on 1996 September 16 at the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum.

d) The Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology

## (i) Long Range Conservation Plan

Board Members were advised that the next meeting to discuss the Long Range Conservation Plan for the Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology will be held on 1996 October 2.

## (ii) Visit by Director General of Parks Canada

Board Members were advised that the Director General of Parks Canada will be visiting the Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology on 1996 September 23 at 5:30 p.m. Board Members were encouraged to attend.

## (iii) Golden Horseshoe Live Steamers - Insurance

Marilynn Havelka advised Board Members that she was able to extend the City's Insurance to cover the last event of the Golden Horseshoe Live Steamers and that it is hoped that the group will have its insurance plan in place for its next event.

e) Museum Reports for the Month of 1996 August

The Committee received for information, the following Museum reports for 1996 August:

- a) Whitehern
- b) The Hamilton Children's Museum
- c) The Hamilton Military Museum
- d) Dundurn Castle
- e) The Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology

6. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTSa) Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee

## (i) Hamilton Harbour Commissioners Plaque

Gordon Birk advised Board Members that the Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee is still waiting for a response from the Hamilton Harbour Commissioners on the suggested wording for their plaque.

## (ii) Plaquing Suggestions for 1996

Gordon Birk advised Board Members that LACAC has prioritized its potential plaquing suggestions for 1996 and are recommending a designated property plaque for the T.H. and B./GO Station and a commemorative plaque for the MacNab/Charles Heritage Conservation District.

b) Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

Brian Henley updated the Board on the current issues that are being dealt with by the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee including the conversion of the Dominion Public Building to the new Hamilton Courthouse and the Gore Heritage District Study.

c) Arts Advisory Commission

The Board was in receipt of the Minutes of the Arts Advisory Commission for



its meeting held 1996 June 27.

Clair Riddell reminded Board Members that the deadline for nominations for the Hamilton Arts Award is 1996 September 16.

d) Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum

The Committee was in receipt of the Minutes of the Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum Executive Meeting held 1996 July 10.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

a) Orientation Sessions to fill Vacancies on Hamilton Historical Board

The Secretary advised Board Members that the terms of office for Walter Peace, David Beland and Victoria Reiding expire 1996 November 30 and that Orientation Sessions will be held on 1996 September 30 and October 2 to fill these three vacancies. It was agreed that Marilyn Havelka will attend the three Orientation Sessions and the Selection Committee interviews on behalf of the Hamilton Historical Board.

b) Presentation of Gore Park Fountain

Board Members were advised that a ceremony presenting the City of Hamilton with the new Gore Park Fountain will be held on 1996 October 5 at 1:00 o'clock p.m. All Board Members were invited to attend.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

David Beland, Chairperson  
Hamilton Historical Board

Charlene Touzel, Secretary

1. The first part of the report deals with the general situation of the country and the position of the various groups of the population. It is a very interesting and informative study of the social and economic conditions of the country.

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9. The ninth part of the report deals with the foreign relations of the country. It is a very interesting and informative study of the foreign relations of the country.

10. The tenth part of the report deals with the future of the country. It is a very interesting and informative study of the future of the country.



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Monday, 1996 September 9th  
4:00 o'clock p.m.  
Room 233, City Hall

The Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee met.

There were present:

Milton J. Lewis, Q.C., Co-Chair  
Carmen Rizzotto, Executive Director  
Dr. J. David Richardson  
David McCormack  
Brian Hinkley  
Alfred Halbig  
Albert Kergl  
William Rutledge  
John Johnston  
Brian Mullan  
Dennis Missett  
David Ricketts  
Leslie Pasis  
Kay Honda  
Polly Shimizu  
Daniel Charles  
Pat Amos  
Sherry Cecil  
Tracey Ireland  
Renee Johnston  
Kim Scott, Executive Secretary

Regrets:

Vincenza Travale, Co-Chair  
Terry Mote  
Vito Sgro  
Shelley Merlo-Orzel

#### AGENDA

Milt Lewis began the meeting with an opening reflection.

1. Minutes of the meeting held Monday, 1996 August 12th

The Committee was in receipt of the minutes of its meeting held Monday, 1996 August 12th which were approved as circulated.

**2. Report of Co-Chairs**

The Mayor presented Milt Lewis with a birthday gift from Sesqui, and thanked Milt for his outstanding efforts on behalf of Sesqui.

**Sesqui Super Home Lottery**

Milt reported that the lottery was launched on the September 7-8 weekend, and will run for 8 weeks. The winner will be announced during half-time at the TiCat Game on November 2nd. Milt invited the Committee to come view the home, and to participate in the Legacy Builder Program by selling 100 tickets.

**3. Committee Reports**

**Gore Park Fountain**

Dennis Misset informed the Committee that due to equipment and money restraints, the turning on of the Fountain has been rescheduled to October 5th. He said that the casting of the Fountain is complete, and that the park looks beautiful. [Executive Secretary Note: the date has since changed to October 19th]

**Steel City Oktoberfest**

Albert Kergl reported that the 27th annual festival will be held on Saturday October 5th at the Convention Centre, and that promotions have started for the event. Oktoberfest will be a point of sale for the Sesqui Super Home Lottery tickets. Albert invited all to attend.

**Public Speaking Festival**

Pat Amos informed the Committee that the Festival starts September 22nd, 2:00 pm at City Hall, and September 29th, 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm at City Hall, with the finals to be held on October 27th at the Studio Theatre. A videotape of the finalists will be put into the Sesqui Time Capsule, and an Anthology of the Speeches is planned. Cable 14 will have coverage of the event.

**Market Celebration**

Brian Hinkley reported that plans are proceeding for this event, which will be held on October 19th at 11:00 am. Brian invited all to attend.

**McMaster University**

Sherry Cecil informed the Committee that all faculties of the University plan to be involved with MacFest, which will take place on October 19th. Tours of the campus, an exhibit of Israeli artifacts from Jerusalem, music around the campus, Homecoming Weekend football game and carnival are just some of the activities planned. The event is free to the public, and will run from 10 am - 5 pm.



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Sherry also reported that the \$15,000 raised at the Jack McDonald Tribute dinner will be presented to the University for scholarships, and that the Government has matched the \$15,000 for a total of \$30,000.

**Ontario Workers Arts & Heritage Centre**

Renee Johnston reported that the grand opening of the Centre will be on Friday, November 8th.

**Spectator Cup Centennial**

Bill Rutledge thanked Cecelia Carter-Smith and Tom Gallagher for their help with the event. Sesqui Logo Pins in gold, silver and bronze were presented. Bill thanked the Committee for help received, and Sesqui the Mascot for his performance that day.

**Ikenobo Society**

Kay Honda invited all to attend the Ikenobo Flower Show at the Royal Botanical Gardens on September 22nd.

**4. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

Vincenza Travale, Co-Chair  
Hamilton Sesquicentennial Committee

Milton Lewis, Co-Chair  
Hamilton Sesquicentennial Committee

Kim Scott  
Executive Secretary  
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## Habitat II

by Marc Denhez

When the second United Nations Conference on Human Settlements, *Habitat II*, began in Istanbul, Turkey, in June 1996, there were low expectations as to what it would say about the re-use of buildings, neighbourhoods, and cities. The lead-up documents were pathetically weak, although they did offer some reference to monuments and to sites of outstanding cultural significance. These comments were modestly improved in the final draft.

Section 17: The quality of life of all people depends, among other economic, social, environmental and cultural factors, on the physical conditions and spatial characteristics of our villages, towns and cities. City layout and aesthetics . . . and public amenities have a crucial bearing on the livability of settlements . . . Peoples' need for community and their aspirations for more liveable neighbourhoods and set-

tlements should guide the process of design, management and maintenance of human settlements. Objectives of this endeavour include . . . preservation of historic, spiritual, religious and culturally significant buildings and districts, respecting local landscapes and treating local environment with respect and care. The preservation of natural heritage and historical human settlements including sites, monuments and buildings . . . should be assisted, including through international cooperation.

Section 27(f): We, the States participating in the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) further commit ourselves to the objectives of . . . protecting and maintaining the historic, cultural and natural heritage.

Section 49(e): Governments should . . . integrate land and shelter policies with policies . . . for creating jobs, for environmental protection, for preservation of the cultural heritage, for education and health.

Section 106: Historical places, objects . . . and manifestations of cultural and scientific, symbolic, spiritual and religious values are important expressions of the culture, identity and religious beliefs of societies . . . Conservation, rehabilitation and culturally sensitive adaptive re-use of urban, rural and architectural heritage are also in accordance with the sustainable use of natural and human-made resources. Access to culture and the cultural dimension of development is of the utmost importance.

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**Sections 107-108:** Governments at the appropriate levels . . . should identify and document, whenever possible, the historical and cultural significance of places, sites . . . and manifestations and establish conservation goals . . . ; and promote the awareness of such heritage . . . and the financial viability of rehabilitation; . . . local heritage and cultural institutions . . . and inculcate in children and youth an adequate sense of their heritage . . . ; adequate financial and legal support . . . ; education and training in traditional skills . . . ; the active role of older persons as custodians of cultural heritage; . . . the social, cultural and economic viability of historically and culturally important sites and communities; . . . the integrity of the historic urban fabric, and (guide) new construction in historic areas; . . . adequate legal and financial support . . . , in particular through adequate training . . . ; incentives . . . ; community-based action . . . ; public and private-sector and community partnerships . . . ; the incorporation of environmental concerns in conservation and rehabilitation projects; . . . reduced acid rain and other types of environmental pollution that damage buildings . . . ; planning policies, including transport and other infrastructure policies, that avoid environmental degradation of historic and cultural areas; (and) ensure that the accessibility concerns of people with disabilities are incorporated. These comments for cultural properties, however, were initially divorced from the overall strategy for the re-use or rehabilitation of buildings generally.

They were presented as a cultural afterthought, rather than as the litmus test of sustainable development in shelter issues generally. This is where the pleasant surprise occurred. When the international community's declarations were printed under the title, *The Habitat Agenda*, they included a range of relevant strategies and tactics as a comprehensive backdrop for all rehabilitation efforts.

**Section 25(f):** We, the States participating in the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements, are committed to . . . promoting the upgrading of existing housing stock through rehabilitation and maintenance;

**Section 48:** A fundamental principle in formulating a realistic shelter policy is (to) emphasize the increased use and maintenance of existing stock;

**Section 49(d):** Governments should apply . . . taxation, monetary and planning policies to stimulate sustainable shelter markets;

**Section 52(a):** Governments at the appropriate levels should adopt an enabling approach to shelter development, including the renovation, rehabilitation, upgrading and strengthening of the existing housing stock;

**Section 54(b):** Governments . . . should adjust legal, financial and regulatory frameworks, including frameworks for contracts, land-use, building codes and standards;

**Section 67(f):** Governments should . . . improve planning, design, construction,

maintenance and rehabilitation;

**Section 69 (c)-(d),(g),(i),(l),(n):** To respond effectively to the requirements for . . . maintenance and rehabilitation of shelter . . . governments should . . . facilitate the transfer of planning, design and construction techniques, strengthen the capacities of training institutions and non-governmental organizations to increase and diversify the supply of skilled workers, . . . promote research, exchange of information and capacity building, . . . provide training to professionals and practitioners in the construction and development sector to update their skills and knowledge, . . . support professional groups in offering technical assistance, . . . revise building codes and regulations . . . and adopt performance standards as appropriate.

These are only a few of the declarations which planners and community groups may be invoking in the future, as proof of the international community's commitments in this area. These declarations from the United Nations have the same level of moral authority as the commitments to sustainable development articulated in the Rio de Janeiro Earth Summit's Agenda 21. They are already beginning to be quoted in governmental texts.

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## Scarborough's Bell Estate

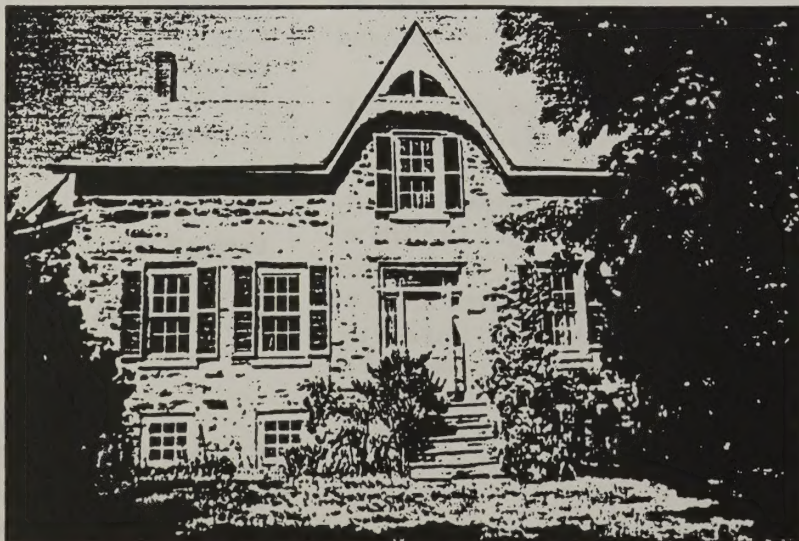
by Barbara Carss

At the turn of the century, forty or so fieldstone houses dotted the countryside of Scarborough Township. Today, about a dozen remain, including the Bell Estate, now hidden away at the back of an industrial park at Warden and St. Clair Avenues. It has just reopened as the Warden Woods Recreational and Educational Centre for Senior Citizens, thanks to nearly \$250,000 worth of restoration by the former Milk Company. The senior's program moved from its former quarters at the Warden Woods Community Centre in late

January. Since most participants are driven to and from the site by volunteers, the

somewhat unorthodox new location is not considered an obstacle. Lidia Monaco-Brown, Director, Senior's Services, with Warden Woods, says the Bell Estate provides more space, privacy and comfortable surroundings with access to a lawn and garden.

Upwards of 1,400 seniors from south west Scarborough could potentially take advantage of the new centre. Its modern new kitchen produces 700 meals-on-wheels dinners monthly as well as the food for twice-weekly, onsite meals for 40 to 50 people. A wide range of programs and services will be offered in the three main





rooms on the lower level of the old house, with space for staff members upstairs.

The planning and renovation process was a collaborative effort between Becker's, the Warden Woods Community Centre, the Ontario Ministry of Health, and the Scarborough LACAC. Their goal was to bring a 150 plus year old farm house up to the standards of a public facility while preserving its heritage elements. The Bell farm once covered a significant area of today's city. The main house was built about 1840, but the interior was almost completely destroyed and then rebuilt following a fire around the turn of the century. A wood frame addition was also built at that time. The family operated Bell's Dairy from 1932 to 1942, roughly on the site where the Becker's milk plant and offices now stand.

As portions of the land were sold and the city evolved, the original farmstead came to be surrounded by industrial land. It retained rural characteristics, such as its well and septic tank, and was isolated from other residential areas. There is no direct access from the city streets; visitors use a laneway which runs from the Becker's company parking lot. Miss Ethel Bell, however, actually lived in the house until the time of her death in 1989. LACAC Chairperson, Richard Schofield, recalls visiting her in her antique-filled house, and says the eighteen to twenty-four-inch thick stone walls helped to keep out the noise of the outside world. "The whole house was a nineteenth century environment," he says.

Miss Bell's Will named ten charities which were given the opportunity to take over and use the property. All declined, but Becker's sought to acquire the small island separating its dairy and related office buildings. "It was looked at as a very strategic part of the property," says Jane Narduzzi, the company's Real Estate Administrator. The revenue from the sale was divided among Miss Bell's ten chosen beneficiaries, and Becker's was bound to honour her stipulations that the house not be demolished for at least thirty years. Although the property was not officially designated under the Ontario Heritage Act, the company agreed to consult with the LACAC before undertaking any renovations or alterations.

Renters occupied the house for a brief time, and then the offices of Becker's security department moved in while the company studied proposals for accommodating a community-based group.

"Various institutions were contacted and dealt with over the few years of deciding what was the best use," Narduzzi says.

Various types of approvals were also required before work could begin. Warden Woods Community Centre had to ensure funding for an expanded seniors' program from the Ontario Ministry of Health, the United Way, and the Mennonite Conference of Canada. Rezoning was necessary so that meals could be prepared and packaged on an industrial site, and the narrower-than-standard width of the access laneway had to be approved by Scarborough's Committee of Adjustment. "Basically their approval went along hand-in-hand with the fact that we were putting in the Warden Woods Community Centre," Narduzzi recalls, "So everything came together, and we signed a letter of intent."

Work began in September 1995 and included: hook up to city sewer and water mains, removing walls, installing steel reinforcing beams, building washrooms with handicapped accessibility, converting to propane heat, upgrading to meet building code and fire standards, and generally restoring and refurbishing the house and grounds. Historical preservation focused largely on interior wood finishings. "Decisions were made to make some compromise to allow the building to be used for public use which is a different fire code than for residential," says LACAC's Richard Schofield. Metal plates were nailed to the back of the original doors to meet fire resistance standards. The original wainscoting and mouldings were removed and then reattached over new drywall and fire-rated material.

The contractors uncovered the evidence of earlier work, revealing that a new interior wall had been built on top of the old one following the fire. "During the renovations, I was there on a regular basis prying away at the walls," Schofield says. He found some of the original wallpaper, but admits there is no way of knowing what the interior looked like before it was gutted. "The original walls that would have existed in 1840 may or may not have been where they are now," he says.

The commercial kitchen was built in the newer wood frame section of the house. It presents a modern day contrast to the historical gem of the building: a brick beehive oven in the basement. Schofield says these small ovens, built into the stone wall adjacent to the fireplace, were commonly used for baking early in the nineteenth century before the introduction of

wood-burning stoves. The Bell Estate now has the only such oven known to remain in Scarborough.

The grounds feature the berry bushes and plantings typical of old rural Ontario. "There are a lot of beautiful trees on the property (including) a black walnut which is very precious," Narduzzi says. Lidia Monaco-Brown says both seniors and staff are looking forward to using the lawn when warmer weather arrives. "Landscape design artists are looking at designing the garden for us for free," she notes. "Because it's a historical building, everybody is interested."

Becker's effort was recently acknowledged with a community service award at the city of Scarborough's 4th Annual Business Appreciation Awards. Monaco-Brown says she hopes this project will mark the beginning of more cooperative initiatives with the corporate community and she salutes the contribution made by Becker's. "I think it's very unique, but at the same time it's very much needed," she says.

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#### A Note From Richard Schofield

When it was determined that the weak *Ontario Heritage Act* might not protect this building, the LACAC and the owner discussed alternatives. It was agreed that the owner's Will would stipulate that the building was not to be demolished for a minimum of thirty years. When Becker's acquired the property, they were not only bound by the terms of the Will, but signed a binding contract with Scarborough LACAC. This not only provides all the protection which is currently provided by the *Heritage Act*, but also permitted the LACAC to inspect the interior and site at any time. In addition, documents pertaining to the site and the Bell family were released to the LACAC for research purposes. The committee was involved from the very beginning in all planning and restoration work.







Su Murdoch Editor, CHOnews

## Editor's Notes

by Su-Murdoch

*Scarborough's Bell Estate, Abbeyfield Houses Society of Canada, and Habitat II* are three items which arrived unsolicited but are surprisingly alike in their theme of using our built heritage resources to meet modern housing needs. Let CHOnews know about any successful or unsuccessful examples of this type of recycling in your community.

This issue of CHOnews is an attempt to highlight the heritage happenings and news that developed during the summer. Many of you wrote about events planned for this Fall. Unfortunately, some of these will be over before this issue arrives in your Community so they have not been included. Other items of interest will appear in the next issue.

*Keep sending those notes and letters!*



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**Board of Directors' meetings  
are open to any LACAC member at  
anytime.**

**Your comments and suggestions  
are always welcome!**

## News From the CHO Board of Directors

### POA Grant Program

On May 1, 1996, MCZCR informed the municipal clerks and LACAC chairpersons that funding for the Preserving Ontario's Architecture (POA) Designated Property Grants program is no longer available. Since the POA program began in 1988, replacing a similar program known as BRIC, municipalities have supported more than two-thousand restoration projects worth up to \$3,000 each on a matching grant basis. In many instances, these small grants were the only incentives LACACs had to offer property owners who might otherwise be reluctant to become involved

with designation. *Now that the POA program is cancelled, it would be worthwhile to learn from LACACs as to how they are continuing to encourage designation and restoration in their municipalities. Suggestions will be shared in CHOnews.*

### Federal Tax and Heritage Properties

In June 1996, CHO wrote to the Honourable Sheila Copps congratulating her on being reappointed as Minister of Canadian Heritage and, in accordance with a policy resolution adopted by the CHO membership at the 1995 annual meet-

ing, urging revision of the federal tax structure to provide for a positive tax environment for heritage properties.

The Toronto Historical Board, which carries out the duties and functions of a LACAC for the City of Toronto, had written to the Minister in February about federal tax improvements. In July, the THB received a reply from the Minister's Executive Assistant advising that "with respect to changes to the tax treatment of heritage buildings, the Minister is fully supportive." The letter advises further that "in order to effect possible amendments to the Income Tax Act, as part of the next federal budget,



the Department of Canadian Heritage will collaborate with the Department of Finance to ensure that designated buildings are safeguarded so as to retain their historic value, extend their physical life, and assure their continued use." Receipt of this response has encouraged the THB to continue its efforts. These will be more effective if all LACACs advise their own local MPs of their support for the CHO policy resolution in favour of a positive federal tax treatment for heritage properties. This resolution is contained in the CHO Policy Statement No. 1 distributed to all LACACs in May 1996.

### Volunteer Service Awards

On September 9, 1996, the Honourable Marilyn Mushinski, Minister of MCZCR, celebrated the shining accomplishments of Ontario's volunteers at the 1996 Volunteer Service Awards presentation in Toronto. The award takes the form of a lapel pin which is presented to volunteers who have served for five, ten, fifteen, or twenty-five years. Recipients are nominated by the organizations for which they volunteer. This year, CHO Board member, Marcia Cuthbert, received a pin for five years of service. Last year's recipients were Vernon Clark, Marc Denhez, John Harrison, Rick Schofield, Mary Angela Tucker, and Veronica Vaillancourt. At this and similar ceremonies across the Province, many devoted LACAC members were honoured, including CHO President, Stephen Wohleber, for fifteen years of service on the Parry Sound LACAC.

## President's Message

by Stephen Wohleber

I had the fortunate opportunity to visit London, England, this summer and came home with a different perspective on our own heritage resources. One only has to leave this country to realize how little built heritage we really have, and one only needs to return to this country to realize how undervalued and underdeveloped our heritage and heritage industries are. We have tremendous potential all around us, but it is limited and, unfortunately, disappearing fast. Due to the cancellation of the Preserving Ontario's Architecture grants, there has been a precipitous decline in the number of properties being designated. The obvious result will be that over time, fewer and fewer buildings will retain their original components and heritage integrity. How much longer can we treat these valuable resources with such a cavalier attitude? There is a very enlightening article titled "Home From Nowhere" by the noted architectural critic, James H. Kunstler, in the September issue of *The Atlantic Monthly* magazine. I strongly recommend Kunstler's article to anyone concerned not only with Heritage, but with



Stephen Wohleber (r) with Robert Shipley, Heritage Planner, at the Goderich CHO Workshop  
Courtesy of Floyd MacIntyre

municipal planning, social issues, and all of those intangibles that go into defining quality of life.

As CHO members you should be aware of the announcement from the Minister of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation that CHO's operational funding has been cut by 40% this year. This is a big hit to take in one dose. Did I say something earlier about underdeveloped resources? Be assured, however, of the continuation of *CHOnews*, and plan to attend our upcoming conference hosted by the Tay region LACACs (Midland area) in September 1997. We have a very enthusiastic committee putting together what will be an extremely worthwhile heritage event. I look forward to seeing you there.

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AND NATIONALLY.

## Report of the CHO Education Committee

by Palmier Stevenson-Young, Chairperson

The Education Committee thanks all those who attended the 1995-96 CHO Workshop series. Not only did LACAC members attend, but so did municipal councillors and staff, architects, planners, builders, museum staff, and members of the public. For those who were not fortunate enough to come to one of our province-wide sessions, the following is some background.

In March 1995, the Education Committee began planning a series of Workshops with the now Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation. By the end of March, we submitted a proposal for a grant to hold a series of eight workshops across the province from October 1995 to April 1996 using a hired

Coordinator to take over the detailed planning. I commend Maureen Wideman of Millbrook for her skill and perseverance in managing the logistics through telecommunications and "snail mail."

We based the one day session on the "new Planning Act" and planning implications for conserving and managing heritage resources and Paint Conservation. Well, we all know that the "new Planning Act" became very OLD with a change of government. I commend the Ministry staff for doing their best to keep us up-to-date and changing their material several times to accommodate the evolving legislation.

You may be wondering what paint and planning have in common. Well, they both begin with the letter P, as does Preservation, a part of our mission. Proper maintenance of the paint, both in the interior and on the exterior of a heritage build-



## The CHO Workshop In Goderich (Courtesy of Floyd MacIntyre)



ing, aids in its preservation. Judicious land use planning can also aid in the preservation of our heritage buildings and their context (or streetscape). Municipalities can include in their Official Plans, policies related to the development and maintenance of a Heritage master plan, and resource inventories that can affect development and infrastructure decisions. These policies can be the impetus for developing planning tools that can assist in the preservation of our Heritage resources. Several Ministry and local speakers provided participants with information about how the Heritage community can influence and use land use planning.

CHO President, Stephen Wohleber and Ministry staff member, John Ota, provided participants with a morning of fascinating information, including the history of paint, how to analyze existing layers, remove, repair, and reapply surfaces.

The CHO mission is to encourage the development of LACACs and to further the identification, preservation, interpretation, and wise use of community heritage locally, provincially and nationally. This workshop series fulfilled two of CHO's seven objectives: *To assist with the ongoing educational development of the mem-*

*bership and municipal councils in Heritage matters; and to encourage and develop partnerships.*

From the responses in the Evaluations, I am sure that the program more than fulfilled the first objective. The willingness of staff and volunteers from Cumberland, Peterborough, Sudbury, Welland, Goderich, Sault Ste. Marie, Stratford, and Scarborough to work with CHO in preparing for these days gratifies me. Benjamin Moore Paints partnered with us to provide the luncheon at each site, as well as staff (Seema Pabari), regional representatives, and print material. At some of the venues the Ministry of Municipal Affairs staff joined us. The other volunteers who so ably assisted and provided generously of their time were Noel Bullock, Vernon Clark, and Floyd MacIntyre.

Where do we go from here? With the latest round of funding cuts, CHO, like many other non profit organizations, must learn to be fundraisers to offset dwindling grant programs. Until we can do so, we cannot provide the province-wide workshop/seminar sessions that we have in the past. CHO will concentrate its current volunteer efforts and resources to organize the annual general meeting in Peterborough on September 21, 1996, and the provincial conference in Midland in 1997.

Although the conservation of our Heritage has always been difficult, I think that the current economic and political climates are antagonistic to our intents. Thus, I feel the job of the Heritage community has become not that of pushing a boulder uphill, but, that of moving the entire hill to a higher elevation. Our challenge is to find a way to do it!

At the CHO Workshop in Goderich, Daphne Johnson of the Owen Sound LACAC jotted down her thoughts on the status of their Committee. Daphne wrote: "We are very pleased that Owen Sound LACAC has been given a 'new' life. We are alive and well and apparently a part of an ever growing special group of volunteer citizens. These people have been cited not only as having an impact on the visual heritage aspects of preservation but an economic impact in communities all across Ontario. Where financial support has dwindled, enthusiasm continues to flourish."

## NEW Cultural Strategic Development Fund

The Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation has developed a small Cultural Strategic Development Fund (CSDF) which is available for a limited number of projects. The purpose of the fund is to develop the arts, heritage, and cultural industries by increasing the self-reliance of stakeholders, enhancing the cultural and economic vitality of the sector, and strengthening the province's cultural infrastructure.



The objectives of the CSDF are:

1. To increase capacity for self reliance and to improve each cultural sector's access to non-government sources of financing.
2. To facilitate strategic partnerships between and among the not-for-profit, private, and public sectors.
3. To support improvements in a sector's efficiency and



chnological capabilities.

4. To assist with export and market development and to strengthen Ontario's cultural profile abroad.

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To be eligible for funding, an organization must be:

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An organization must propose a project which meets the objectives of CSDF. Note that:

1. Funding support is for one time only projects. Projects must be short-term, self-contained, and not part of a normal season or annual operating costs.

2. Projects will be supported on a cost-sharing basis, up to 50%, depending on the availability of the Ministry's budget.

3. Components of projects eligible for support through the Ontario Arts Council

or other Ontario government sources will not be supported financially, i.e., will not be considered as eligible project expenses.

4. Projects may receive support from other levels of government for the same project, but not for the same component. A portion of the project revenue must be derived from sources other than government, except where the applicant is a municipality.

Ministry staff is available to provide information regarding the application process, e.g., how to obtain and complete an application, where and when to submit it to the Ministry. Please be advised that while no potential applicant will be denied the opportunity to apply for funding, funds are extremely limited, and only limited numbers of applicants will be funded. Meeting the eligibility requirements does not guarantee funding. Local community arts and heritage projects are handled through the Ministry's regional offices. Projects with provincial scope or which deal with export and market development or the cultural industries will be handled through Cultural Programs Branch, Culture Division, MCZCR, 2nd Floor, 77 Bloor St., W., Toronto, M7A 2R9 416-314-7080/ fax 416-314-7091.

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## Abbeyfield Houses Society of Canada

In August 1996, Mary Lou Evans, LACAC Coordinator for MCZCR, was contacted by Robert McMullan, President, Abbeyfield Houses Society of Canada. McMullan's letter contains an appeal to LACACs.

The Abbeyfield concept is very simple. It comprises an affordable house in which 7 to 10 people of retirement age live in their own bed-sitting rooms furnished with their own things, yet share the two main meals of the day. A live-in housekeeper attends to the daily running of the house, the shopping and the preparation and serving of meals. Privacy and independence are preserved yet the gentle supportive domestic atmosphere provides companionship and freedom from worries and chores.

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A case in point is Brantford where a recently refurbished church on the main square was bought by a developer for \$75,000. He wants to demolish it and make a car park. He might be persuaded to sell it for \$250,000!! This should be stopped and we hope that LACAC can handle this.

There must be many churches that could be converted into Abbeyfield Houses. We have the experience both from Australia and from an architect in England who has worked with the Church Commissioners of the Anglican Church.

We hope you can suggest other churches in other parts of the province where conversions of this kind would be beneficial to the community and the heritage of Ontario.

For information contact Abbeyfield Houses of Canada, 427 Bloor St., W., Box 1, Toronto, M5S 1X7, phone/fax 416-920-7483.



### LACACs and Fundraising

Is your LACAC undertaking or considering fundraising to supplement your budget and carry out your mandate? As budgets tighten and LACACs are looking for additional financial support to accomplish their goals, it is important for them to understand what they are able to do and how they may go about doing such things. As municipal committees, can LACACs fundraise? Do LACACs have the ability to receive gifts? The following are a few items which LACACs should know about and should discuss with their municipal authorities before undertaking a fundraising project.

A LACAC is an advisory committee to the municipal Council that established it. The Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation believes that a LACAC may undertake fundraising projects, but only on behalf of the municipal corporation. Therefore, a LACAC cannot own or hold any property. The municipality would own and control any money or property raised through fundraising. Under the *Ontario Municipal Act*, the municipal Treasurer is responsible for the safekeeping of the municipality's money. If your Committee has specific questions about its relationship with the municipality, please contact the Treasurer for advice and direction.

There may arise an issue for a LACAC as to how to access the money from fundraising efforts when the funds are in a municipal bank account. Although money raised by the LACAC would have to be deposited in the bank account of the municipality, the Ministry understands that municipalities are usually flexible in working out some arrangement such as crediting any money raised to the budget of the LACAC or a special account.

### Insurance Coverage for Designated Property

Several incidents have come recently to my attention of insurance companies increasing coverage rates for designated property. The companies have based their increase on the misconception that once the property is designated the insurance company would be "required to rebuild the structure to the exact specifications as it currently is." This erroneous information is disturbing.

The designation of individual proper-

ty under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* does not require an owner to rebuild or replace a designated structure should it be lost or damaged. Nor does the legislation require an owner to restore a structure. Replacement cost insurance is a type of insurance taken out by a property owner at their discretion. Replacement cost insurance does not require an owner to replicate the existing structure. It is up to the owner to decide on the type of coverage required and to choose an insurance company which meets their needs.

We would like to determine whether this is an insurance industry-wide policy or if it is an isolated incident. If your LACAC knows of similar incidents of insurance coverage increases for designated property based on erroneous information, please provide me with the name of the insurance company and its given reason for the increase.

### LACAC Directory

By now, all LACACs should have received the draft copy of *Directory of the LACACs of Ontario*. Please take a moment to check the entry for your LACAC and forward any corrections or additions to my office.

### MCZCR Goes E-mail

For LACACs with access to E-mail, I now can be contacted on the Internet at [evansm@gov.on.ca](mailto:evansm@gov.on.ca).

*Mary Lou Evans is the LACAC Advisor for the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation.*

### Welcome Aboard!

Community Heritage Ontario is pleased to welcome the members and Council of a newly established LACAC in North Bay. The mandate of CHO is to provide guidance, training, and information in your efforts in preserving the heritage of your community for future generations. Please use *CHOnews* as your sounding board to let other LACACs know what you are doing. We join in welcoming you to Ontario's LACAC community.



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## Heritage: The Next Generation

The Ontario Heritage Foundation with the support of the Natural Heritage League and Heritage Canada is organizing a conference on the future of heritage conservation in Ontario. *Heritage: The Next Generation* offers a chance to broaden your understanding of the many interrelated disciplines involved in the conservation of Ontario's past as well as the challenges facing heritage organizations into the twenty-first century. Featured speakers include The Honourable David Crombie (an active player in the preservation of Lake Ontario's waterfront), prominent government officials, and heritage professionals. This two-day event includes three educational workshops: *Advocacy in the New Environment* (or how to get what you want from government, the private sector, and the media); *"Selling" Heritage* (from fundraising to planned giving, special events, and sponsorships); and *Managing Change* (change management and new ways of working together). Plan to attend February 14 to 15, 1997, in Toronto. For more information contact the Ontario Heritage Foundation, 10 Adelaide St. E., Toronto, M5C 1J3, 416-325-5000, E-mail: [doroszd@heritage.gov.on.ca](mailto:doroszd@heritage.gov.on.ca)

## Our Mistake!

In the October 1995 issue of *CHOnews*, a drawing of an attractive Queen Anne style house in London was reproduced in the article, "Redefining LACAC: The London LACAC Pilot Project." Unfortunately,

the copy of the drawing used for the article was only a partial image and did not include the name of the artist.

The artist is Sylvia Clarke. Sorry, Sylvia, and thanks for bringing this to our attention.

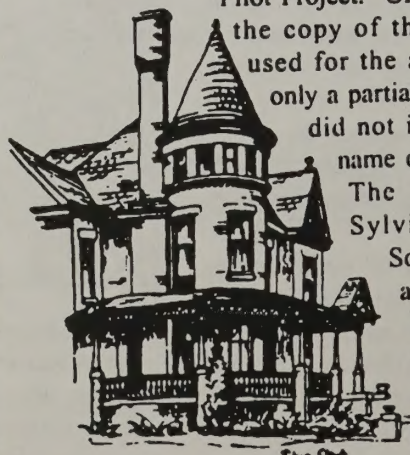






Illustration by George Balbar

## Vandals Desecrate Cemetery

In the May 1996 issue of *CHOnews*, Thomas Salter of the Niagara Regional LACAC provided information on the preservation of the Lundy's Lane battlefield and adjacent Drummond Hill Cemetery which is the resting place of Canadian heroine, Laura Secord, and many soldiers who served in the War of 1812. In June, the cemetery was vandalised and more than two hundred historic obelisks and headstones were knocked over and damaged. Fortunately, the memoriam to Laura Secord was not damaged. According to the local newspaper, "The City of Niagara Falls will pay to reerect or pin gravestones, but owners must pay the cost of repairing chips or any other restoration to the fragile older stones."



Demolition of the Robert Simpson House in Barrie  
Courtesy of Steve Hill

## Orangeville LACAC Tour

by Diane Allengame-Kuster

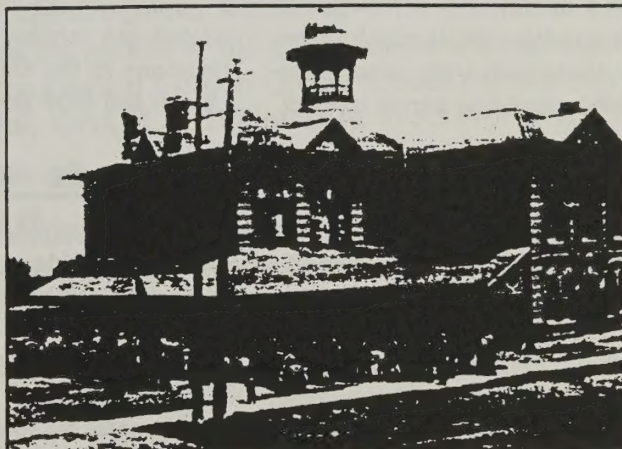
The Town of Orangeville LACAC has published a self-guided walking tour. The tour begins at the designated Town Hall, and includes mill sites, early homes, and industrial buildings. Walkers are returned to the Town Hall via Broadway, Orangeville's main thoroughfare, where they can see splendid late nineteenth century commercial facades.

While Orangeville has produced self-guided walking tours in the past, this is the first to combine photographs with professional design and thorough research. The LACAC "feels it is important to give people an appreciation for built heritage with a quality product. We've mixed architectural terminology with interesting stories about the buildings and occupants. The resulting text is easy to read and should help people understand what an important contribution heritage makes to the community."

The LACAC received research assistance from the staff of the Dufferin County Museum and Archives. The cost of printing was shared between the Town of Orangeville, the Business Improvement Area, and the County of Dufferin. "Heritage preservation is good for business," commented LACAC chairman, Mike Mitchell, adding that

"cooperation of this kind benefits the entire community." Depending on the response, a second walking tour concentrating on late nineteenth century residential districts will be developed.

The Orangeville Walking Tour is available free of charge at the Orangeville Town Hall, the BIA office, any



Orangeville Townhall Market, c. 1900  
Courtesy Dufferin County Museum and Archives

Headwaters County Tourist Association location, or by writing to Orangeville LACAC, 87 Broadway Avenue, Orangeville, L9W 1K1.

*Diane Allengame-Kuster is a member of the Town of Orangeville LACAC and the staff archivist at the Peel Heritage Complex in Brampton.*

## Demolition Control: An Update

### Brantford Obtains Demolition Control Legislation

by Marcia Cuthbert

The City of Brantford recently applied to the Province for special demolition control legislation for designated properties, based upon the City of Toronto Act, 1987. This type of legislation allows the municipal Council to refuse a demolition permit application for a property designated under Part IV or V of the *Ontario Heritage Act* where there is no building permit for a replacement building. In Toronto, where this type of legislation was first proposed by the Toronto Historical Board staff, demolition of designated properties for vacant sites or parking lots has virtually been eliminated. Once the Brantford legislation receives Royal Assent, it will bring the total number of municipalities which have such legislation to ten. The others are Toronto (1987), London (1990), Markham (1991), Oakville (1991), Vaughan (1992), Burlington (1994), Hamilton (1994), Scarborough (1996), and Milton (1996). The Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation is considering using this type of legislation as the model for the demolition control provisions in the long-awaited new *Ontario Heritage Act*.



## Demolition Control In Scarborough

by Richard Schofield

In 1996, Scarborough is celebrating its Bicentennial. Scarborough LACAC now has another special reason to celebrate. On March 28, 1996, Bill Pr41, now the *City of Scarborough Act*, received third reading and Royal Assent. This legislation requires that prior to issuance of a demolition permit for a building or structure designated under the *Ontario Heritage Act*, the owner must have "obtained a building permit to erect

a new building on the site of the building or structure to-be demolished or removed" and "every person who on designated property . . . demolishes or removes any building or structure or part thereof . . . is guilty of an offence and on conviction is liable to a fine of not more than one million dollars, or imprisonment for a term of not more than one year, or to both."

While Scarborough has patiently waited and lobbied for many years for revisions to the *Ontario Heritage Act*, Liberal and NDP governments in the past

have failed to take action in this regard. While the LACAC hopes that the current provincial government will take some positive action in the very near future, the *City of Scarborough Act* will provide some immediate protection.

*Marcia Cuthbert is the Special Projects Officer for the Toronto Historical Board and a Vice-president of the CHO Board. Richard Schofield is a member of Scarborough LACAC and is the Corporate Secretary of CHO.*

## New Rear of Leeds and Landsdowne Book

by Art Shaw

A new book by Glenn J. Lockwood, *The Rear of Leeds and Landsdowne, The Making of a Community on the Gananoque River Frontier, 1796-1996*, was launched in September at the third annual revival of the Turkey Fair at Lyndhurst.

In 1994, the Municipality of the Rear of Leeds and Landsdowne commissioned historian Glen Lockwood to write a comprehensive history of the municipality in anticipation of the bicentennial of the opening of the township for settlement in 1796. Beginning in prehistory, the book describes the conflicts, successes, and failures of successive groups of immigrants. The story is told of the construction of the first iron smelter in Upper Canada at Furnace Falls (Lyndhurst) on the Gananoque River in 1800. Intrigue during the War of 1812 and controversy over the

route of the Rideau Canal are described, as are the coming of the Irish, the development of the village of Seeley's Bay, the proposals to build locks on the Gananoque River, the birth of the cheese making industry, and the gradual amalgamation of all the divergent factions into a prosperous agricultural community. The book traces the evolution of the role of women, the rise of tourism, and the exodus to urban centres following the two world wars, with a smattering of local legend, lore, and scandal.

The book features 650 pages, 250 illustrations, a comprehensive index, acid free paper with a sewn cloth binding, and a full colour dust jacket. It is available at the Rear of Leeds and Landsdowne Municipal Office, 312 County

Road 33, Box 160, Lyndhurst, K0E 1N0. Cost is \$49.95 plus GST.

*Art Shaw is a member of the Bicentennial of the Rear of Leeds and Landsdowne Book Committee.*



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Heritage Canada and the Prince Edward Island Museum and Heritage Foundation joint conference, *Pride, Policy and Profit: New Life for Heritage Places* will be held in Summerside, PEI. Contact Veronica Vaillancourt, Director, Heritage Network, Heritage Canada Box 1358, Station B, Ottawa, K1P 5R4, Phone: 613-237-1066 Fax 613-237-5987.

### October 25-27 Ontario Archaeological Society

The 25th Annual Symposium of the OAS, *Home is Where the Hearth is; the Contribution of Small Sites to Our Understanding of Ontario's Past*, will be held at the Donald Gordon Centre, Queen's University, Kingston. Contact Ellen Blaubeurgs, Executive Director, OAS, 126 Willowdale Ave., North York, M2N 4Y2; Phone & Fax 416-730-0797.

### October 29-Nov. 26 (Tuesdays) Wellington County Lectures

Heritage Fergus and The Wellington County Museum and Archives are hosting five lectures at 7:00 p.m. in the Nicholas Keith Room, Wellington County Museum and Archives, County Road 18, between Fergus and Elora. Cost is \$5 per lecture (at the door) or a series ticket for \$20 payable to Heritage Fergus, Municipal Office, 198 St. Andrew St., W. Fergus N1M 2W7. Oct. 29, *Community Strategies for Achieving Heritage Preservation* with Robert Shipley, Planning Consultant. Nov. 5, *Architecture and Renovation* with Michael Wilson, Architect. Nov. 12, *Reducing Environmental Pollution* with Dr. Raoul Robinson. Nov. 19, *Municipal Facade Improvement Programs as a Tool for Achieving Heritage Preservation* with Doug Wilson, Community Renewal Officer, Barrie. Nov. 26, *Oriental Carpets: Their History, Manufacture, and Acquisition* with Philip Fowler, The Oriental Carpet Shop of Stratford. Contact Deryk Smith, 519-843-3650 or Eleanor Smith 519-843-6253.

### November 2 Heritage Registry Workshop

A workshop, *Inventory and Rating Heritage Resources*, is being hosted by the Niagara Regional LACAC Association on Saturday, Nov. 2, 8:30-2:30, at the Prince of Wales Hotel, Victoria and Albert Room, Niagara-on-the-Lake. Leon Bensason, Heritage Planner, City of Kitchener, Valerie Spring, founder of Heritage Architectural Archiver System, and Allen Tyyska, Heritage Legislation Project, MCZCR will be the speakers. Refreshments, lunch, and walking tour included. Contact the Secretary, NRLACAC Association, 62 Carleton St., S. Thorold, L2V 2A1 905-227-5899/ 905-227-8526 fax.

### November 16 ACO Documentation Workshop

The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario technical workshop *Documentation at Every Stage of a Heritage Conservation Project* will be on Saturday, Nov. 16, 1-6 at the Ontario Heritage Centre, 10 Adelaide St., E., Toronto. Contact Paul Dilse, Consulting Heritage Manager, ACO, Suite 929, 85 Bleecker St., Toronto, M4X 1X1, 416-921-5324. Registration is limited.

### PLAN TO ATTEND!

The next CHO conference will be in the Midland area on September 26 to 28, 1997. Presentations will deal with making heritage resources accessible for public understanding in ways that serve individual and community interests. Be sure to include the cost of attending this three-day event in your 1997 LACAC budget.

**Come to understand the challenges and be part of the solutions!**



# Landuse Planning and Protection Act

by Winston Wong

There are new amendments to Ontario's landuse planning legislation. The *Ontario Landuse Planning and Protection Act* (Bill 20) was proclaimed as law on May 22, 1996. The amendments contained in Bill 20 apply to the previous planning legislation, Bill 163, and are intended to further increase municipal autonomy and empowerment, streamline the planning process with shorter time frames, and ensure that all planning decisions have regard for the conservation of both significant natural and cultural heritage resources.

Along with the proclamation of the legislation itself, there is a new set of provincial landuse planning policies under section 3 of Bill 20, *Provincial Policy Statements*. These Policy Statements further define provincial and public interests, and require that planning authorities "shall have regard to" such Statements when making local planning decisions. There are two specific Provincial Policy Statements dealing with cultural heritage conservation.

## 2.5 Cultural Heritage and Archaeological Resources

**2.5.1 Significant built heritage resources and cultural heritage landscapes** will be conserved.

**2.5.2 Development and site alteration** may be permitted on lands containing archaeological resources or areas of

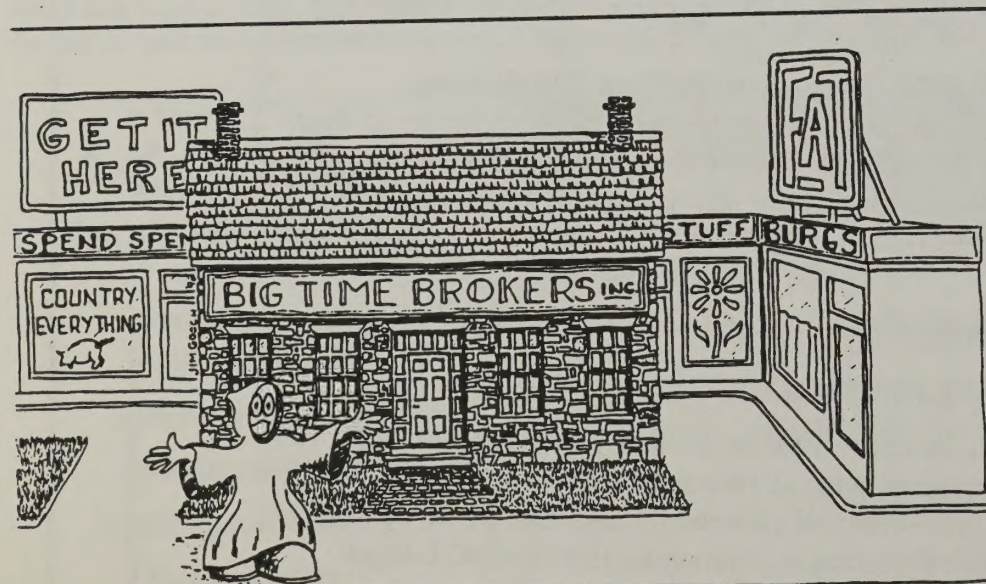
archaeological potential if significant archaeological resources have been conserved by removal and documentation, or preservation on site. Where significant archaeological resources must be preserved on site, only development and site alteration which maintains the heritage integrity of the site will be permitted.

LACACs are referred to in the Planning Act regulations for receiving notice of certain planning documents such as Plans of Subdivision and zoning bylaws, including Holding bylaws and Interim Control bylaws. Public meeting and application Notices will be circulated to LACAC chairpersons or secretaries if the areas covered by the proposed Plan of Subdivision or bylaw "includes or adjoins a property or district designated under Part IV or V of the *Ontario Heritage Act*" (O. Reg. 199/96 for zoning bylaws; O. Reg. 196/96 for Plans of Subdivision). The intent of the notice regulations is to allow heritage issues to be identified and resolved earlier in the planning process.

As a public body, LACAC also may request that Notices regarding Official Plans and Plan amendments, Consents, and Minor Variances be sent to the Committee.

For further information contact Michael Johnson, Manager of the Archaeology and Heritage Planning Unit, Cultural Programs Branch, MCZCR, Toronto, 416-314-7144.

*Winston Wong is a Heritage Planner with MCZCR.*



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## Habitat II

by Marc Denhez

When the second United Nations Conference on Human Settlements, *Habitat II*, began in Istanbul, Turkey, in June 1996, there were low expectations as to what it would say about the re-use of buildings, neighbourhoods, and cities. The lead-up documents were rhetorically weak, although they did offer some reference to monuments and to sites of outstanding cultural significance. These comments were modestly improved in the final draft.

Section 17: The quality of life of all people depends, among other economic, social, environmental and cultural factors, on the physical conditions and spatial characteristics of our villages, towns and cities. City layout and aesthetics . . . and amenities have a crucial bearing on the livability of settlements . . . Peoples' needs for community and their aspirations for more liveable neighbourhoods and set-

tlements should guide the process of design, management and maintenance of human settlements. Objectives of this endeavour include . . . preservation of historic, spiritual, religious and culturally significant buildings and districts, respecting local landscapes and treating local environment with respect and care. The preservation of natural heritage and historical human settlements including sites, monuments and buildings . . . should be assisted, including through international cooperation.

Section 27(f): We, the States participating in the

United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) further commit ourselves to the objectives of . . . protecting and maintaining the historic, cultural and natural heritage.

Section 49(e): Governments should . . . integrate land and shelter policies with policies . . . for creating jobs, for environmental protection, for preservation of the cultural heritage, for education and health.

Section 106: Historical places, objects . . . and manifestations of cultural and scientific, symbolic, spiritual and religious values are important expressions of the culture, identity and religious beliefs of societies . . . Conservation, rehabilitation and culturally sensitive adaptive re-use of urban, rural and architectural heritage are also in accordance with the sustainable use of natural and human-made resources. Access to culture and the cultural dimension of development is of the utmost importance.

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**Sections 107-108:** Governments at the appropriate levels . . . should identify and document, whenever possible, the historical and cultural significance of areas, sites . . . and manifestations and establish conservation goals . . . ; (and) promote the awareness of such heritage . . . and the financial viability of rehabilitation; . . . local heritage and cultural institutions . . . and inculcate in children and youth an adequate sense of their heritage . . . ; adequate financial and legal support . . . ; education and training in traditional skills . . . ; the active role of older persons as custodians of cultural heritage; . . . the social, cultural and economic viability of historically and culturally important sites and communities; . . . the integrity of the historic urban fabric, and (guide) new construction in historic areas; . . . adequate legal and financial support . . . , in particular through adequate training . . . ; incentives . . . ; community-based action . . . ; public and private-sector and community partnerships . . . ; the incorporation of environmental concerns in conservation and rehabilitation projects; . . . reduced acid rain and other types of environmental pollution that damage buildings . . . ; planning policies, including transport and other infrastructure policies, that avoid environmental degradation of historic and cultural areas; (and) ensure that the accessibility concerns of people with disabilities are incorporated.

These comments for cultural properties, however, were initially divorced from any overall strategy for the re-use or reha-

bilitation of buildings generally. They were presented as a cultural afterthought, rather than as the litmus test of sustainable development in shelter issues generally. This is where the pleasant surprise occurred. When the international community's declarations were printed under the title, *The Habitat Agenda*, they included a range of relevant strategies and tactics as a comprehensive backdrop for all rehabilitation efforts.

**Section 25(f):** We, the States participating in the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements, are committed to . . . promoting the upgrading of existing housing stock through rehabilitation and maintenance;

**Section 48:** A fundamental principle in formulating a realistic shelter policy is (to) emphasize the increased use and maintenance of existing stock;

**Section 49(d):** Governments should apply . . . taxation, monetary and planning policies to stimulate sustainable shelter markets;

**Section 52(a):** Governments at the appropriate levels should adopt an enabling approach to shelter development, including the renovation, rehabilitation, upgrading and strengthening of the existing housing stock;

**Section 54(b):** Governments . . . should adjust legal, financial and regulatory frameworks, including frameworks for contracts, land-use, building codes and standards;

**Section 67(f):** Governments should . . . improve planning, design, construction,

maintenance and rehabilitation;

**Section 69 (c)-(d),(g),(i),(l),(n):** To respond effectively to the requirements for . . . maintenance and rehabilitation of shelter . . . governments should . . . facilitate the transfer of planning, design and construction techniques, strengthen the capacities of training institutions and non-governmental organizations to increase and diversify the supply of skilled workers, . . . promote research, exchange of information and capacity building, . . . provide training to professionals and practitioners in the construction and development sector to update their skills and knowledge, . . . support professional groups in offering technical assistance, . . . revise building codes and regulations . . . and adopt performance standards as appropriate.

These are only a few of the declarations which planners and community groups may be invoking in the future, as proof of the international community's commitments in this area. These declarations from the United Nations have the same level of moral authority as the commitments to sustainable development articulated in the Rio de Janeiro Earth Summit's Agenda 21. They are already beginning to be quoted in governmental texts.

*Marc Denhez is a heritage consultant, lawyer, and author of The Canadian Home and Heritage Fights Back. He is currently working on a governmental renovation strategy.*

## Scarborough's Bell Estate

by Barbara Carss

At the turn of the century, forty or so fieldstone houses dotted the countryside of Scarborough township. Today, about a dozen remain, including the Bell Estate, now hidden away at the back of an industrial site at Warden and St. Clair avenues. It has just reopened as the Warden Woods Recreational and Educational Centre for Senior Citizens, thanks to nearly \$250,000 worth of restoration by the Becker Milk Company.

The senior's program moved from its former quarters at the Warden Woods Community Centre in late

January. Since most participants are driven to and from the site by volunteers, the

somewhat unorthodox new location is not considered an obstacle. Lidia Monaco-Brown, Director, Senior's Services, with Warden Woods, says the Bell Estate provides more space, privacy and comfortable surroundings with access to a lawn and garden.

Upwards of 1,400 seniors from south west Scarborough could potentially take advantage of the new centre. Its modern new kitchen produces 700 meals-on-wheels dinners monthly as well as the food for twice-weekly, onsite meals for 40 to 50 people. A wide range of programs and services will be offered in the three main





rooms on the lower level of the old house, with space for staff members upstairs.

The planning and renovation process was a collaborative effort between Becker's, the Warden Woods Community Centre, the Ontario Ministry of Health, and the Scarborough LACAC. Their goal was to bring a 150 plus year old farm house up to the standards of a public facility while preserving its heritage elements. The Bell farm once covered a significant area of today's city. The main house was built about 1840, but the interior was almost completely destroyed and then rebuilt following a fire around the turn of the century. A wood frame addition was also built at that time. The family operated Bell's Dairy from 1932 to 1942, roughly on the site where the Becker's milk plant and offices now stand.

As portions of the land were sold and the city evolved, the original farmstead came to be surrounded by industrial land. It retained rural characteristics, such as its well and septic tank, and was isolated from other residential areas. There is no direct access from the city streets; visitors use a laneway which runs from the Becker's company parking lot. Miss Ethel Bell, however, actually lived in the house until the time of her death in 1989. LACAC Chairperson, Richard Schofield, recalls visiting her in her antique-filled house, and says the eighteen to twenty-four-inch thick stone walls helped to keep out the noise of the outside world. "The whole house was a nineteenth century environment," he says.

Miss Bell's Will named ten charities which were given the opportunity to take over and use the property. All declined, but Becker's sought to acquire the small island separating its dairy and related office buildings. "It was looked at as a very strategical part of the property," says Jane Narduzzi, the company's Real Estate Administrator. The revenue from the sale was divided among Miss Bell's ten chosen beneficiaries, and Becker's was bound to honour her stipulations that the house not be demolished for at least thirty years. Although the property was not officially designated under the Ontario Heritage Act, the company agreed to consult with the LACAC before undertaking any renovations or alterations.

Renters occupied the house for a brief time, and then the offices of Becker's security department moved in while the company studied proposals for accommodating a community-based group.

"Various institutions were contacted and dealt with over the few years of deciding what was the best use," Narduzzi says.

Various types of approvals were also required before work could begin. Warden Woods Community Centre had to ensure funding for an expanded seniors' program from the Ontario Ministry of Health, the United Way, and the Mennonite Conference of Canada. Rezoning was necessary so that meals could be prepared and packaged on an industrial site, and the narrower-than-standard width of the access laneway had to be approved by Scarborough's Committee of Adjustment. "Basically their approval went along hand-in-hand with the fact that we were putting in the Warden Woods Community Centre," Narduzzi recalls, "So everything came together, and we signed a letter of intent."

Work began in September 1995 and included: hook up to city sewer and water mains, removing walls, installing steel reinforcing beams, building washrooms with handicapped accessibility, converting to propane heat, upgrading to meet building code and fire standards, and generally restoring and refurbishing the house and grounds. Historical preservation focused largely on interior wood finishings. "Decisions were made to make some compromise to allow the building to be used for public use which is a different fire code than for residential," says LACAC's Richard Schofield. Metal plates were nailed to the back of the original doors to meet fire resistance standards. The original wainscoting and mouldings were removed and then reattached over new drywall and fire-rated material.

The contractors uncovered the evidence of earlier work, revealing that a new interior wall had been built on top of the old one following the fire. "During the renovations, I was there on a regular basis prying away at the walls," Schofield says. He found some of the original wallpaper, but admits there is no way of knowing what the interior looked like before it was gutted. "The original walls that would have existed in 1840 may or may not have been where they are now," he says.

The commercial kitchen was built in the newer wood frame section of the house. It presents a modern day contrast to the historical gem of the building: a brick beehive oven in the basement. Schofield says these small ovens, built into the stone wall adjacent to the fireplace, were commonly used for baking early in the nineteenth century before the introduction of

wood-burning stoves. The Bell Estate now has the only such oven known to remain in Scarborough.

The grounds feature the berry bushes and plantings typical of old rural Ontario. "There are a lot of beautiful trees on the property (including) a black walnut which is very precious," Narduzzi says. Lidia Monaco-Brown says both seniors and staff are looking forward to using the lawn when warmer weather arrives. "Landscape design artists are looking at designing the garden for us for free," she notes. "Because it's a historical building, everybody is interested."

Becker's effort was recently acknowledged with a community service award at the city of Scarborough's 4th Annual Business Appreciation Awards. Monaco-Brown says she hopes this project will mark the beginning of more cooperative initiatives with the corporate community and she salutes the contribution made by Becker's. "I think it's very unique, but at the same time it's very much needed," she says.

*Barbara Carss is the Assistant Editor of Canadian Property Management. This article first appeared in Vol. II, No. 1, Feb/Mar 1996 issue and is reprinted with permission.*

#### A Note From Richard Schofield

When it was determined that the weak *Ontario Heritage Act* might not protect this building, the LACAC and the owner discussed alternatives. It was agreed that the owner's Will would stipulate that the building was not to be demolished for a minimum of thirty years. When Becker's acquired the property, they were not only bound by the terms of the Will, but signed a binding contract with Scarborough LACAC. This not only provides all the protection which is currently provided by the *Heritage Act*, but also permitted the LACAC to inspect the interior and site at any time. In addition, documents pertaining to the site and the Bell family were released to the LACAC for research purposes. The committee was involved from the very beginning in all planning and restoration work.







Su Murdoch Editor, CHOnews

## Editor's Notes

by Su Murdoch

Scarborough's Bell Estate, Abbeyfield Houses Society of Canada, and Habitat II are three items which arrived unsolicited but are surprisingly alike in their theme of using our built heritage resources to meet modern housing needs. Let CHOnews know about any successful or unsuccessful examples of this type of recycling in your community.

This issue of CHOnews is an attempt to highlight the heritage happenings and news that developed during the summer. Many of you wrote about events planned for this Fall. Unfortunately, some of these will be over before this issue arrives in our Community so they have not been included. Other items of interest will appear in the next issue.

*Keep sending those notes and letters!*



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## News From the CHO Board of Directors

### POA Grant Program

On May 1, 1996, MCZCR informed the municipal clerks and LACAC chairpersons that funding for the Preserving Ontario's Architecture (POA) Designated Property Grants program is no longer available. Since the POA program began in 1988, replacing a similar program known as RIC, municipalities have supported more than two thousand restoration projects worth up to \$3,000 each on a matching grant basis. In many instances, these small grants were the only incentives LACAC's had to offer property owners who might otherwise be reluctant to become involved

with designation. *Now that the POA program is cancelled, it would be worthwhile to learn from LACACs as to how they are continuing to encourage designation and restoration in their municipalities. Suggestions will be shared in CHOnews.*

### Federal Tax and Heritage Properties

In June 1996, CHO wrote to the Honourable Sheila Copps congratulating her on being reappointed as Minister of Canadian Heritage and, in accordance with a policy resolution adopted by the CHO membership at the 1995 annual meet-

ing, urging revision of the federal tax structure to provide for a positive tax environment for heritage properties.

The Toronto Historical Board, which carries out the duties and functions of a LACAC for the City of Toronto, had written to the Minister in February about federal tax improvements. In July, the THB received a reply from the Minister's Executive Assistant advising that "with respect to changes to the tax treatment of heritage buildings, the Minister is fully supportive." The letter advises further that "in order to effect possible amendments to the Income Tax Act, as part of the next federal budget,



the Department of Canadian Heritage will collaborate with the Department of Finance to ensure that designated buildings are safeguarded so as to retain their historic value, extend their physical life, and assure their continued use." Receipt of this response has encouraged the THB to continue its efforts. These will be more effective if all LACACs advise their own local MPs of their support for the CHO policy resolution in favour of a positive federal tax treatment for heritage properties. This resolution is contained in the CHO Policy Statement No. 1 distributed to all LACACs in May 1996.

### Volunteer Service Awards

On September 9, 1996, the Honourable Marilyn Mushinski, Minister of MCZCR, celebrated the shining accomplishments of Ontario's volunteers at the 1996 Volunteer Service Awards presentation in Toronto. The award takes the form of a lapel pin which is presented to volunteers who have served for five, ten, fifteen, or twenty-five years. Recipients are nominated by the organizations for which they volunteer. This year, CHO Board member, Marcia Cuthbert, received a pin for five years of service. Last year's recipients were Vernon Clark, Marc Denhez, John Harrison, Rick Schofield, Mary Angela Tucker, and Veronica Vaillancourt. At this and similar ceremonies across the Province, many devoted LACAC members were honoured, including CHO President, Stephen Wohleber, for fifteen years of service on the Parry Sound LACAC.

## President's Message

by Stephen Wohleber

I had the fortunate opportunity to visit London, England, this summer and came home with a different perspective on our own heritage resources. One only has to leave this country to realize how little built heritage we really have, and one only needs to return to this country to realize how undervalued and underdeveloped our heritage and heritage industries are. We have tremendous potential all around us, but it is limited and, unfortunately, disappearing fast. Due to the cancellation of the Preserving Ontario's Architecture grants, there has been a precipitous decline in the number of properties being designated. The obvious result will be that over time, fewer and fewer buildings will retain their original components and heritage integrity. How much longer can we treat these valuable resources with such a cavalier attitude? There is a very enlightening article titled "Home From Nowhere" by the noted architectural critic, James H. Kunstler, in the September issue of *The Atlantic Monthly* magazine. I strongly recommend Kunstler's article to anyone concerned not only with Heritage, but with



Stephen Wohleber (r) with Robert Shipley, Heritage Planner, at the Goderich CHO Workshop  
Courtesy of Floyd MacIntyre

municipal planning, social issues, and all of those intangibles that go into defining *quality of life*.

As CHO members you should be aware of the announcement from the Minister of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation that CHO's operational funding has been cut by 40% this year. This is a big hit to take in one dose. Did I say something earlier about underdeveloped resources? Be assured, however, of the continuation of *CHOnews*, and plan to attend our upcoming conference hosted by the Tay region LACACs (Midland area) in September 1997. We have a very enthusiastic committee putting together what will be an extremely worthwhile heritage event. I look forward to seeing you there.

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## Report of the CHO Education Committee

by Palmier Stevenson-Young, Chairperson

The Education Committee thanks all those who attended the 1995-96 CHO Workshop series. Not only did LACAC members attend, but so did municipal councillors and staff, architects, planners, builders, museum staff, and members of the public. For those who were not fortunate enough to come to one of our province-wide sessions, the following is some background.

In March 1995, the Education Committee began planning a series of Workshops with the now Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation. By the end of March, we submitted a proposal for a grant to hold a series of eight workshops across the province from October 1995 to April 1996 using a hired

Coordinator to take over the detailed planning. I commend Maureen Wideman of Millbrook for her skill and perseverance in managing the logistics through telecommunications and "snail mail."

We based the one day session on the "new Planning Act" and planning implications for conserving and managing heritage resources and Paint Conservation. Well, we all know that the "new Planning Act" became very OLD with a change of government. I commend the Ministry staff for doing their best to keep us up-to-date and changing their material several times to accommodate the evolving legislation.

You may be wondering what paint and planning have in common. Well, they both begin with the letter P, as does Preservation, a part of our mission. Proper maintenance of the paint, both in the interior and on the exterior of a heritage build-



## The CHO Workshop in Goderich (Courtesy of Floyd MacIntyre)



ng, aids in its preservation. Judicious land use planning can also aid in the preservation of our heritage buildings and their context (or streetscape). Municipalities can include in their Official Plans, policies related to the development and maintenance of a Heritage master plan, and resource inventories that can affect development and infrastructure decisions. These policies can be the impetus for developing planning tools that can assist in the preservation of our Heritage resources. Several Ministry and local speakers provided participants with information about how the Heritage community can influence and use and use planning.

CHO President, Stephen Wohleber and Ministry staff member, John Ota, provided participants with a morning of fascinating information, including the history of paint, how to analyze existing layers, remove, repair, and reapply surfaces.

The CHO mission is to encourage the development of LACACs and to further the identification, preservation, interpretation, and wise use of community heritage locally, provincially and nationally. This workshop series fulfilled two of CHO's seven objectives: *To assist with the ongoing educational development of the mem-*

*bership and municipal councils in Heritage matters; and to encourage and develop partnerships.*

From the responses in the Evaluations, I am sure that the program more than fulfilled the first objective. The willingness of staff and volunteers from Cumberland, Peterborough, Sudbury, Welland, Goderich, Sault Ste. Marie, Stratford, and Scarborough to work with CHO in preparing for these days gratifies me. Benjamin Moore Paints partnered with us to provide the luncheon at each site, as well as staff (Seema Pabari), regional representatives, and print material. At some of the venues the Ministry of Municipal Affairs staff joined us. The other volunteers who so ably assisted and provided generously of their time were Noel Bullock, Vernon Clark, and Floyd MacIntyre.

Where do we go from here? With the latest round of funding cuts, CHO, like many other non profit organizations, must learn to be fundraisers to offset dwindling grant programs. Until we can do so, we cannot provide the province-wide workshop/seminar sessions that we have in the past. CHO will concentrate its current volunteer efforts and resources to organize the annual general meeting in Peterborough on September 21, 1996, and the provincial conference in Midland in 1997.

Although the conservation of our Heritage has always been difficult, I think that the current economic and political climates are antagonistic to our intents. Thus, I feel the job of the Heritage community has become not that of pushing a boulder uphill, but, that of moving the entire hill to a higher elevation. Our challenge is to find a way to do it!

At the CHO Workshop in Goderich, Daphne Johnson of the Owen Sound LACAC jotted down her thoughts on the status of their Committee. Daphne wrote: "We are very pleased that Owen Sound LACAC has been given a 'new' life. We are alive and well and apparently a part of an ever growing special group of volunteer citizens. These people have been cited not only as having an impact on the visual heritage aspects of preservation but an economic impact in communities all across Ontario. Where financial support has dwindled, enthusiasm continues to flourish."

## NEW Cultural Strategic Development Fund

The Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation has developed a small Cultural Strategic Development Fund (CSDF) which is available for a limited number of projects. The purpose of the fund is to develop the arts, heritage, and cultural industries by increasing the self-reliance of stakeholders, enhancing the cultural and economic vitality of the sector, and strengthening the province's cultural infrastructure.



The objectives of the CSDF are:

1. To increase capacity for self reliance and to improve each cultural sector's access to non-government sources of financing.
2. To facilitate strategic partnerships between and among the not-for-profit, private, and public sectors.
3. To support improvements in a sector's efficiency and



chnological capabilities.

4. To assist with export and market development and to strengthen Ontario's cultural profile abroad.

5. To encourage growth in Ontario's initiatives by expanding volunteer support.

To be eligible for funding, an organization must be:

1. A not-for-profit, Ontario-based cultural organization in existence for at least one year, and undertaking cultural initiatives.

2. Any not-for-profit, Ontario-based cultural industry trade organization or consortium of three or more firms who are Canadian-owned and Ontario-based, each with an established record of achievement in its field.

An organization must propose a project which meets the objectives of CSDF. Note that:

1. Funding support is for one time only projects. Projects must be short-term, self-contained, and not part of a normal season or annual operating costs.

2. Projects will be supported on a cost-sharing basis, up to 50%, depending on the availability of the Ministry's budget.

3. Components of projects eligible for support through the Ontario Arts Council

or other Ontario government sources will not be supported financially, i.e., will not be considered as eligible project expenses.

4. Projects may receive support from other levels of government for the same project, but not for the same component. A portion of the project revenue must be derived from sources other than government, except where the applicant is a municipality.

Ministry staff is available to provide information regarding the application process, e.g., how to obtain and complete an application, where and when to submit it to the Ministry. Please be advised that while no potential applicant will be denied the opportunity to apply for funding, funds are extremely limited, and only limited numbers of applicants will be funded. Meeting the eligibility requirements does not guarantee funding. Local community arts and heritage projects are handled through the Ministry's regional offices. Projects with provincial scope or which deal with export and market development or the cultural industries will be handled through Cultural Programs Branch, Culture Division, MCZCR, 2nd Floor, 77 Bloor St., W., Toronto, M7A 2R9 416-314-7080/ fax 416-314-7091.

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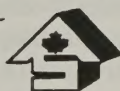
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## Abbeyfield Houses Society of Canada

In August 1996, Mary Lou Evans, LACAC Coordinator for MCZCR, was contacted by Robert McMullan, President, Abbeyfield Houses Society of Canada. McMullan's letter contains an appeal to LACACs.

The Abbeyfield concept is very simple. It comprises an affordable house in which 7 to 10 people of retirement age live in their own bed-sitting rooms furnished with their own things, yet share the two main meals of the day. A live-in housekeeper attends to the daily running of the house, the shopping and the preparation and serving of meals. Privacy and independence are preserved yet the gentle supportive domestic atmosphere provides companionship and freedom from worries and chores.

Abbeyfield started 40 years ago in England as a Christian response to loneliness in a South London Borough. There are over 1,000 Abbeyfield Houses world-wide. In Canada there are now 26 Societies with 19 Houses. Canadian Abbeyfield Societies are independent



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charitable entities with their own volunteer boards and house committees . . .



In Melbourne, Australia, a redundant church was converted into an Abbeyfield, and we would like to do the same here where many towns are too over-churched for today's needs.

A case in point is Brantford where a recently refurbished church on the main square was bought by a developer for \$75,000. He wants to demolish it and make a car park. He might be persuaded to sell it for \$250,000!! This should be stopped and we hope that LACAC can handle this.

There must be many churches that could be converted into Abbeyfield Houses. We have the experience both from Australia and from an architect in England who has worked with the Church Commissioners of the Anglican Church.

We hope you can suggest other churches in other parts of the province where conversions of this kind would be beneficial to the community and the heritage of Ontario.

For information contact Abbeyfield Houses of Canada, 427 Bloor St., W., Box 1, Toronto, M5S 1X7, phone/fax 416-920-7483.



### LACACs and Fundraising

Is your LACAC undertaking or considering fundraising to supplement your budget and carry out your mandate? As budgets tighten and LACACs are looking for additional financial support to accomplish their goals, it is important for them to understand what they are able to do and how they may go about doing such things. As municipal committees, can LACACs fundraise? Do LACACs have the ability to receive gifts? The following are a few items which LACACs should know about and should discuss with their municipal authorities before undertaking a fundraising project.

A LACAC is an advisory committee to the municipal Council that established it. The Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation believes that a LACAC may undertake fundraising projects, but only on behalf of the municipal corporation. Therefore, a LACAC cannot own or hold any property. The municipality would own and control any money or property raised through fundraising. Under the *Ontario Municipal Act*, the municipal Treasurer is responsible for the safekeeping of the municipality's money. If your Committee has specific questions about its relationship with the municipality, please contact the Treasurer for advice and direction.

There may arise an issue for a LACAC as to how to access the money from fundraising efforts when the funds are in a municipal bank account. Although money raised by the LACAC would have to be deposited in the bank account of the municipality, the Ministry understands that municipalities are usually flexible in working out some arrangement such as crediting any money raised to the budget of the LACAC or a special account.

### Insurance Coverage for Designated Property

Several incidents have come recently to my attention of insurance companies increasing coverage rates for designated property. The companies have based their increase on the misconception that once the property is designated the insurance company would be "required to rebuild the structure to the exact specifications as it currently is." This erroneous information is disturbing.

The designation of individual proper-

ty under Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act* does not require an owner to rebuild or replace a designated structure should it be lost or damaged. Nor does the legislation require an owner to restore a structure. Replacement cost insurance is a type of insurance taken out by a property owner at their discretion. Replacement cost insurance does not require an owner to replicate the existing structure. It is up to the owner to decide on the type of coverage required and to choose an insurance company which meets their needs.

We would like to determine whether this is an insurance industry-wide policy or if it is an isolated incident. If your LACAC knows of similar incidents of insurance coverage increases for designated property based on erroneous information, please provide me with the name of the insurance company and its given reason for the increase.

### LACAC Directory

By now, all LACACs should have received the draft copy of *Directory of the LACACs of Ontario*. Please take a moment to check the entry for your LACAC and forward any corrections or additions to my office.

### MCZCR Goes E-mail

For LACACs with access to E-mail, I now can be contacted on the Internet at [evansm@gov.on.ca](mailto:evansm@gov.on.ca).

*Mary Lou Evans is the LACAC Advisor for the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation.*

### Welcome Aboard!

Community Heritage Ontario is pleased to welcome the members and Council of a newly established LACAC in North Bay. The mandate of CHO is to provide guidance, training, and information in your efforts in preserving the heritage of your community for future generations. Please use *CHOnews* as your sounding board to let other LACACs know what you are doing. We join in welcoming you to Ontario's LACAC community.



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## Heritage: The Next Generation

The Ontario Heritage Foundation with the support of the Natural Heritage League and Heritage Canada is organizing a conference on the future of heritage conservation in Ontario. *Heritage: The Next Generation* offers a chance to broaden your understanding of the many interrelated disciplines involved in the conservation of Ontario's past as well as the challenges facing heritage organizations into the twenty-first century. Featured speakers include The Honourable David Crombie (an active player in the preservation of Lake Ontario's waterfront), prominent government officials, and heritage professionals. This two-day event includes three educational workshops: *Advocacy in the New Environment* (or how to get what you want from government, the private sector, and the media); *"Selling" Heritage* (from fundraising to planned giving, special events, and sponsorships); and *Managing Change* (change management and new ways of working together). Plan to attend February 14 to 15, 1997, in Toronto. For more information contact the Ontario Heritage Foundation, 10 Adelaide St. E., Toronto, M5C 1J3, 416-325-5000, E-mail: [doroszd@heritage.gov.on.ca](mailto:doroszd@heritage.gov.on.ca)

### Our Mistake!

In the October 1995 issue of *CHOnews*, a drawing of an attractive Queen Anne style house in London was reproduced in the article, "Redefining LACAC: The London LACAC

Pilot Project." Unfortunately, the copy of the drawing used for the article was only a partial image and did not include the name of the artist.

The artist is Sylvia Clarke. Sorry, Sylvia, and thanks for bringing this to our attention.

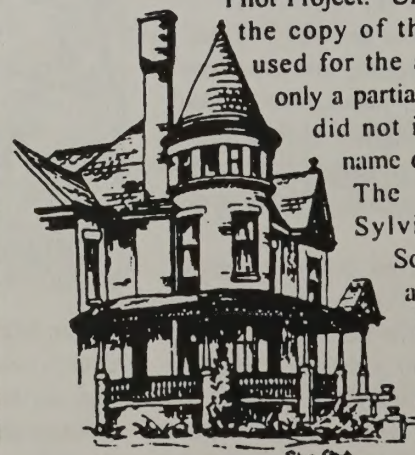






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## Vandals Desecrate Cemetery

In the May 1996 issue of *CHOnews*, Thomas Salter of the Niagara Regional LACAC provided information on the preservation of the Lundy's Lane battlefield and adjacent Drummond Hill Cemetery which is the resting place of Canadian heroine, Laura Secord, and many soldiers who served in the War of 1812. In June, the cemetery was vandalised and more than two hundred historic obelisks and headstones were knocked over and damaged. Fortunately, the memoriam to Laura Secord was not damaged. According to the local newspaper, "The City of Niagara Falls will pay to erect or pin gravestones, but owners must pay the cost of repairing chips or any other restoration to the fragile older stones."



Demolition of the Robert Simpson House in Barrie  
Courtesy of Steve Hill

## Orangeville LACAC Tour

by Diane Allengame-Kuster

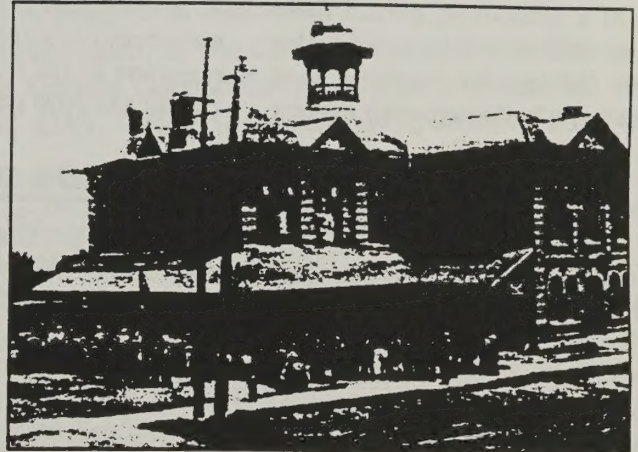
The Town of Orangeville LACAC has published a self-guided walking tour. The tour begins at the designated Town Hall, and includes mill sites, early homes, and industrial buildings. Walkers are returned to the Town Hall via Broadway, Orangeville's main thoroughfare, where they can see splendid late nineteenth century commercial facades.

While Orangeville has produced self-guided walking tours in the past, this is the first to combine photographs with professional design and thorough research. The LACAC "feels it is important to give people an appreciation for built heritage with a quality product. We've mixed architectural terminology with interesting stories about the buildings and occupants. The resulting text is easy to read and should help people understand what an important contribution heritage makes to the community."

The LACAC received research assistance from the staff of the Dufferin County Museum and Archives. The cost of printing was shared between the Town of Orangeville, the Business Improvement Area, and the County of Dufferin. "Heritage preservation is good for business," commented LACAC chairman, Mike Mitchell, adding that

"cooperation of this kind benefits the entire community." Depending on the response, a second walking tour concentrating on late nineteenth century residential districts will be developed.

The Orangeville Walking Tour is available free of charge at the Orangeville Town Hall, the BIA office, any



Orangeville Townhall Market, c. 1900  
Courtesy Dufferin County Museum and Archives

Headwaters County Tourist Association location, or by writing to Orangeville LACAC, 87 Broadway Avenue, Orangeville, L9W 1K1.

*Diane Allengame-Kuster is a member of the Town of Orangeville LACAC and the staff archivist at the Peel Heritage Complex in Brampton.*

## Demolition Control: An Update

### Brantford Obtains Demolition Control Legislation

by Marcia Cuthbert

The City of Brantford recently applied to the Province for special demolition control legislation for designated properties, based upon the City of Toronto Act, 1987. This type of legislation allows the municipal Council to refuse a demolition permit application for a property designated under Part IV or V of the *Ontario Heritage Act* where there is no building permit for a replacement building. In Toronto, where this type of legislation was first proposed by the Toronto Historical Board staff, demolition of designated properties for vacant sites or parking lots has virtually been eliminated. Once the Brantford legislation receives Royal Assent, it will bring the total number of municipalities which have such legislation to ten. The others are Toronto (1987), London (1990), Markham (1991), Oakville (1991), Vaughan (1992), Burlington (1994), Hamilton (1994), Scarborough (1996), and Milton (1996). The Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation is considering using this type of legislation as the model for the demolition control provisions in the long-awaited new *Ontario Heritage Act*.



## Demolition Control In Scarborough

by Richard Schofield

In 1996, Scarborough is celebrating its Bicentennial. Scarborough LACAC now has another special reason to celebrate. On March 28, 1996, Bill Pr41, now the *City of Scarborough Act*, received third reading and Royal Assent. This legislation requires that prior to issuance of a demolition permit for a building or structure designated under the *Ontario Heritage Act*, the owner must have "obtained a building permit to erect

a new building on the site of the building or structure to "be demolished or removed" and "every person who on designated property . . . demolishes or removes any building or structure or part thereof . . . is guilty of an offence and on conviction is liable to a fine of not more than one million dollars, or imprisonment for a term of not more than one year, or to both."

While Scarborough has patiently waited and lobbied for many years for revisions to the *Ontario Heritage Act*, Liberal and NDP governments in the past

have failed to take action in this regard. While the LACAC hopes that the current provincial government will take some positive action in the very near future, the *City of Scarborough Act* will provide some immediate protection.

*Marcia Cuthbert is the Special Projects Officer for the Toronto Historical Board and a Vice-president of the CHO Board. Richard Schofield is a member of Scarborough LACAC and is the Corporate Secretary of CHO.*

## New Rear of Leeds and Landsdowne Book

by Art Shaw

A new book by Glenn J. Lockwood, *The Rear of Leeds and Landsdowne, The Making of a Community on the Gananoque River Frontier, 1796-1996*, was launched in September at the third annual revival of the Turkey Fair at Lyndhurst.

In 1994, the Municipality of the Rear of Leeds and Landsdowne commissioned historian Glen Lockwood to write a comprehensive history of the municipality in anticipation of the bicentennial of the opening of the township for settlement in 1796. Beginning in prehistory, the book describes the conflicts, successes, and failures of successive groups of immigrants. The story is told of the construction of the first iron smelter in Upper Canada at Furnace Falls (Lyndhurst) on the Gananoque River in 1800. Intrigue during the War of 1812 and controversy over the

route of the Rideau Canal are described, as are the coming of the Irish, the development of the village of Seeley's Bay, the proposals to build locks on the Gananoque River, the birth of the cheese making industry, and the gradual amalgamation of all the divergent factions into a prosperous agricultural community. The book traces the evolution of the role of women, the rise of tourism, and the exodus to urban centres following the two world wars, with a smattering of local legend, lore, and scandal.

The book features 650 pages, 250 illustrations, a comprehensive index, acid free paper with a sewn cloth binding, and a full colour dust jacket. It is available at the Rear of Leeds and Landsdowne Municipal Office, 312 County

Road 33, Box 160, Lyndhurst, K0E 1N0. Cost is \$49.95 plus GST.

*Art Shaw is a member of the Bicentennial of the Rear of Leeds and Landsdowne Book Committee.*



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## COMING EVENTS

### October 17-20 *Pride, Policy and Profit*

Heritage Canada and the Prince Edward Island Museum and Heritage Foundation joint conference, *Pride, Policy and Profit: New Life for Heritage Places* will be held in Summerside, PEI. Contact Veronica Vaillancourt, Director, Heritage Network, Heritage Canada Box 1358, Station B, Ottawa, K1P 5R4, Phone: 613-237-1066 Fax 613-237-5987.

### October 25-27 Ontario Archaeological Society

The 25th Annual Symposium of the OAS, *Home is Where the Hearth is; the Contribution of Small Sites to Our Understanding of Ontario's Past*, will be held at the Donald Gordon Centre, Queen's University, Kingston. Contact Ellen Blaubeurgs, Executive Director, OAS, 126 Willowdale Ave., North York, M2N 4Y2; Phone & Fax 416-730-0797.

### October 29-Nov. 26 (Tuesdays) Wellington County Lectures

Heritage Fergus and The Wellington County Museum and Archives are hosting five lectures at 7:00 p.m. in the Nicholas Keith Room, Wellington County Museum and Archives, County Road 18, between Fergus and Elora. Cost is \$5 per lecture (at the door) or a series ticket for \$20 payable to Heritage Fergus, Municipal Office, 198 St. Andrew St., W., Fergus N1M 2W7. Oct. 29, *Community Strategies for Achieving Heritage Preservation* with Robert Shipley, Planning Consultant. Nov. 5, *Architecture and Renovation* with Michael Wilson, Architect. Nov. 12, *Reducing Environmental Pollution* with Dr. Raoul Robinson. Nov. 19, *Municipal Facade Improvement Programs as a Tool for Achieving Heritage Preservation* with Doug Wilson, Community Renewal Officer, Barrie. Nov. 26, *Oriental Carpets: Their History, Manufacture and Acquisition* with Philip Fowler, The Oriental Carpet Shop of Stratford. Contact Deryl Smith, 519-843-3650 or Eleanor Smith, 519-843-6253.

### November 2 Heritage Registry Workshop

A workshop, *Inventory and Rating Heritage Resources*, is being hosted by the Niagara Regional LACAC Association on Saturday, Nov. 2, 8:30-2:30, at the Prince of Wales Hotel, Victoria and Albert Room, Niagara-on-the-Lake. Leon Bensason, Heritage Planner, City of Kitchener, Valerie Spring, founder of Heritage Architectural Archiver System, and Allen Tyyska, Heritage Legislation Project, MCZCR, will be the speakers. Refreshments, lunch, and walking tour included. Contact the Secretary, NRLACAC Association, 62 Carleton St., S., Thorold, L2V 2A1 905-227-5899/ 905-227-8526 fax.

### November 16 ACO Documentation Workshop

The Architectural Conservancy of Ontario technical workshop *Documentation at Every Stage of a Heritage Conservation Project* will be on Saturday, Nov. 16, 1-6 at the Ontario Heritage Centre, 10 Adelaide St., E., Toronto. Contact Paul Dilse, Consulting Heritage Manager, ACO, Suite 929, 85 Bleecker St., Toronto, M4X 1X1, 416-921-5324. Registration is limited.

### PLAN TO ATTEND!

The next CHO conference will be in the Midland area on September 26 to 28, 1997. Presentations will deal with making heritage resources accessible for public understanding in ways that serve individual and community interests. Be sure to include the cost of attending this three-day event in your 1997 LACAC budget.

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# Landuse Planning and Protection Act

by Winston Wong

There are new amendments to Ontario's landuse planning legislation. The *Ontario Landuse Planning and Protection Act* (Bill 20) was proclaimed as law on May 22, 1996. The amendments contained in Bill 20 apply to the previous planning legislation, Bill 163, and are intended to further increase municipal autonomy and empowerment, streamline the planning process with shorter time frames, and ensure that all planning decisions have regard for the conservation of both significant natural and cultural heritage resources.

Along with the proclamation of the legislation itself, there is a new set of provincial landuse planning policies under section 3 of Bill 20, *Provincial Policy Statements*. These Policy Statements further define provincial and public interests, and require that planning authorities "shall have regard to" such Statements when making local planning decisions. There are two specific Provincial Policy Statements dealing with cultural heritage conservation.

## 2.5 Cultural Heritage and Archaeological Resources

2.5.1 Significant built heritage resources and cultural heritage landscapes will be conserved.

2.5.2 Development and site alteration may be permitted on lands containing archaeological resources or areas of

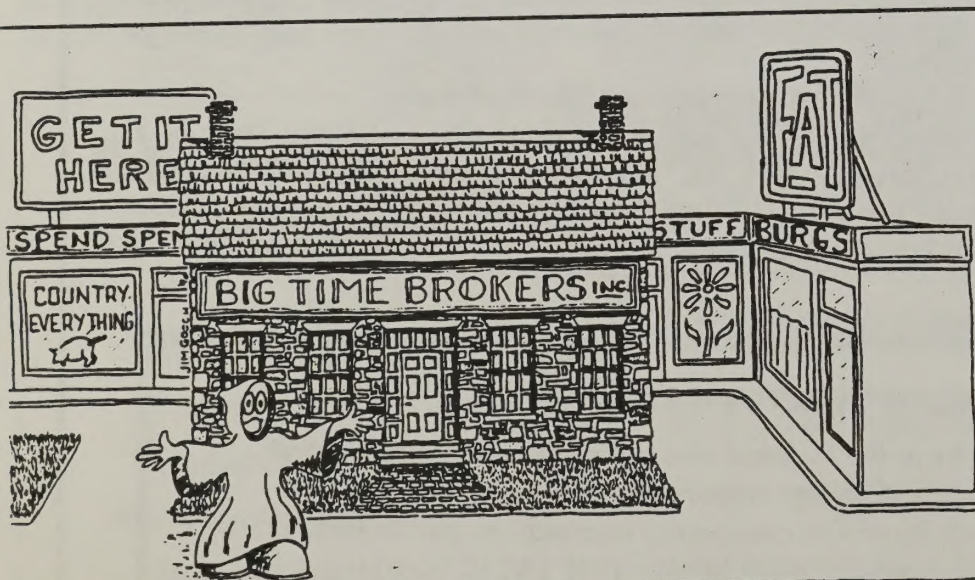
archaeological potential if significant archaeological resources have been conserved by removal and documentation, or preservation on site. Where significant archaeological resources must be preserved on site, only development and site alteration which maintains the heritage integrity of the site will be permitted.

LACACs are referred to in the Planning Act regulations for receiving notice of certain planning documents such as Plans of Subdivision and zoning bylaws, including Holding bylaws and Interim Control bylaws. Public meeting and application Notices will be circulated to LACAC chairpersons or secretaries if the areas covered by the proposed Plan of Subdivision or bylaw "includes or adjoins a property or district designated under Part IV or V of the *Ontario Heritage Act*" (O. Reg. 199/96 for zoning bylaws; O. Reg. 196/96 for Plans of Subdivision). The intent of the notice regulations is to allow heritage issues to be identified and resolved earlier in the planning process.

As a public body, LACAC also may request that Notices regarding Official Plans and Plan amendments, Consents, and Minor Variances be sent to the Committee.

For further information contact Michael Johnson, Manager of the Archaeology and Heritage Planning Unit, Cultural Programs Branch, MCZCR, Toronto, 416-314-7144.

*Winston Wong is a Heritage Planner with MCZCR.*



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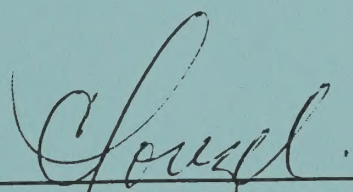
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GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

## NOTICE OF MEETING

### Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

Monday, 1996 December 9  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 233, City Hall

  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee

**NOTE:** In order to ensure that there are enough members present at this meeting to form a quorum, would you please notify the Secretary at 546-3994 if you are unable to attend.

### LACAC MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO THE FOLLOWING:

- A. CAPIC Working Session - Hamilton Official Plan Policy Review - Wednesday, 1996 December 4 at 3:30 p.m., Planning Library, 7th Floor, City Hall.
- B. Hamilton Society of Architects' Downtown Charrette presentation to CAPIC - Friday, 1996 December 6 at 11:30 a.m. in Room 219, City Hall.

### A G E N D A

#### 1. PRESENTATION

Hamilton Courthouse Project Update - Reg Watkins, Project Manager,  
Management Board Secretariat (no copy)

#### 2. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS (no copy)

#### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1996 November 11

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4. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

- a) Status of LACAC in proposed Supercity (no copy)
- b) Bellevue, 14 Belvidere Avenue (no copy)
- c) Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest - Criteria for Listing

5. **DIRECTOR, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

- a) Stinson Neighbourhood - Additions to Inventory (report available at meeting)
- b) Burlington Canal Lighthouse Action Committee - Appointment of Members

**UPDATES**

- c) St. Mark's Centre (no copy)
- d) Downtown Actions

6. **COMMITTEE/SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a) Hamilton Historical Board - Minutes of meeting held 1996 October 8
- b) Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee - Minutes of meeting held 1996 October 21

7. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

- a) Minutes of Second Regional Meeting of Hamilton-Wentworth LACACs, 1996 October 26 - Chestnut Grove, Waterdown
- b) "Colourful cottage raises ire of Grimsby heritage buffs", *The Spectator*, 1996 November 21

8. **OTHER BUSINESS**

9. **ADJOURNMENT**







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**CENTRAL AREA PLAN IMPLEMENTATION COM**  
a Subcommittee of the Planning and Development Comm  
c/o CITY HALL, 71 MAIN STREET WEST, HAMILTON, ONTARIO, L8N 3T4

November 13, 1996

TC-CAP(A)

Mary Pocius  
Gil Simmons  
Russell Elman  
Graeme McTaggart

Dear Sir / Madam:

**Re: CAPIC Working Session - Policy Review - Wed. December 4, 1996**

As requested by members at the November 18 CAPIC meeting, a working group has been established to continue the review of existing Central Area policies. The intent is to identify required changes or updates, in conjunction with the current review of the Hamilton Official Plan. This work was started earlier this year, with general principles, and will continue into the detailed policies.

You are invited to a working meeting for this purpose, which will be held:

**DATE:** Wednesday, December 4, 1996  
**TIME:** 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.  
**PLACE:** Planning Dept. Library  
7th Floor, City Hall

Please call Vanessa Grupe at 546-4160 should you have any comments, or should you be unable to attend.

Yours truly,

Vanessa Grupe, M.C.I.P, R.P.P.  
Coordinator, Central Area Plan Implementation Committee

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# BEASLEY N/H PLAN, RECOMMENDATIONS

## Special Policy Area 11

The front portion of the Hamilton-Wentworth Regional Detention Centre is an important "public" open space and should be retained. It provides an attractive vista for passing motorists and pedestrians along Barton Street and adds to the sense of green in the neighbourhood.

## Special Policy Area 12

The intersection of York Boulevard/Wilson Street and James Street North is a major gateway to Beasley Neighbourhood. However, the current urban design of the buildings and lots surrounding this intersection do not accentuate its importance and prominence. The City should implement urban design and other aesthetic measures that will enhance this area of Beasley Neighbourhood.

## Special Policy Area 13

The City has indicated the Public Works Yard is required for an indefinite period of time. When this land is no longer required for civic purposes, a residential use would be the appropriate future land use, likely in the form of a row/townhouse project.

## 3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

Beyond land use planning concerns, there are a number of issues that are apparent in Beasley Neighbourhood that require attention by the City of Hamilton. These issues are of concern to all Beasley residents and businesses as they affect the "quality-of-life" and will contribute positively to the goal of attracting newcomers and creating stability in the neighbourhood. Issues such as the transportation network, the need for market value assessment, crime and safety, and vacant lands are at the forefront.

The Beasley Neighbourhood Plan Review Team has prepared the following recommendations:

- 1) That City Council adopt the 1996 Beasley Neighbourhood Plan document and associated schedules and policies as the revised Beasley Neighbourhood Plan;
- 2) That the Planning and Development Department undertake the necessary rezonings to bring the current zoning in Beasley Neighbourhood in line with the goals and objectives of the Beasley Neighbourhood Plan;
- 3) That the Parks Division of the Department of Public Works and Traffic commit to the proposed park and green space locations as identified on Map One of the 1996 Beasley Neighbourhood Plan and liaise with appropriate landowners in regard to eventual purchase of the identified lands;
- 4) That the Advisory Committee on Transportation Issues undertake a fundamental review of Hamilton's one-way street system in the context of the long-term implications on the ambience and vitality of Hamilton's downtown neighbourhoods;
- 5) That the Region of Hamilton-Wentworth at appropriate opportunities, prohibit trucks, lower permitted speeds and reduce vehicular volumes on all Regional roads in Beasley Neighbourhood;
- 6) That the City of Hamilton and the Region of Hamilton-Wentworth reaffirm its support of the construction of the Perimeter Road to the Provincial Government with a view to securing necessary Provincial monies to enable construction to proceed;



- 7) That the Roads Division of the Regional Transportation Department investigate all streets in Beasley Neighbourhood and throughout the downtown core neighbourhoods that can be narrowed to better accommodate pedestrian traffic and create a more attractive urban atmosphere;
- 8) That Hamilton City Council direct all appropriate civic staff to place an increased emphasis on urban design criteria in the evaluation of all development proposals;
- 9) That the Planning and Development Department and the Department of Public Works and Traffic pursue the development of "urban open spaces" on public and/or private lands at the following locations within Beasley Neighbourhood:
  - i) Hughson Street and Murray Street, east of the CN Station;
  - ii) James Street North and York Blvd;
  - iii) North side of King William Street between Catharine Street and Mary Street;
  - iv) North-west corner of Wilson Street and Mary Street (95 Mary Street);
  - v) King William Street and Mary Street; and,
  - vi) King William Street and Jarvis Street.
- 10) That a focused and comprehensive street tree planting program for the entire Beasley Neighbourhood be established through the "Street Tree Planting Program" operated by the Forestry Section of the Department of Public Works and Traffic;
- 11) That the Planning and Development Department and the Building Department revise the Hamilton Zoning By-law by requiring a minimum 3.0 metre front yard depth in all residential, commercial and Central Business District zoning districts that currently do not have front yard depth requirements;
- 12) That the Planning and Development Department and the Building Department undertake a review of the City of Hamilton Zoning By-law to incorporate the principle of maximizing sun exposure on city streets through zoning by-law provisions;
- 13) That Hughson Street, King William Street and Ferguson Avenue North be recognized as key pedestrian-oriented streets and selected as pilot projects for incorporating sun maximization techniques at all planning approvals stages;
- 14) That the Planning and Development Department investigate the use of "sunset clauses" for rezoning applications;
- 15) That the Hamilton-Wentworth Regional Police re-establish a storefront office on James Street North and have a greater number of on-street beat patrols in Beasley Neighbourhood and throughout the City of Hamilton; and,
- 16) That Hamilton City Council request the Ontario Ministry of Revenue to update the real property market values used as the basis for determining assessed values for property tax purposes for all properties in the City of Hamilton.



# CORKTOWN N/H PLAN (DRAFT) POLICIES

the railway embankment if the rail line is closed. However, there are no plans for closure at this time.

## Goal

Establish an open space system with nodes and links throughout the neighbourhood.

## Policies

- a) an open space system will be established in Corktown using parks, trails and streets with less traffic in accordance with Map 3.
- b) the Bruce Trail will be removed from the Claremont Access and follow a more natural trail as part of the landscaping redesign for the escarpment face.
- c) a link from the new playing fields to Carter Park/Central Memorial Recreation Centre will be developed. The replacement of the Ferguson Avenue steps up the Escarpment connecting to the Bruce Trail will be included in improvement plans.
- d) the upgrading of Ferguson Avenue in accordance with the Ferguson Master Plan will be a priority of the plan.
- e) the neighbourhood's public areas will be designed to be fully accessible using urban braille guidelines and implemented over time. A pilot project for James Street south will be considered.
- f) an overall plan of streetscaping will be prepared (co-ordinated with traffic calming measures) bearing in mind the importance of making Corktown a desirable place to live, work and play.
- g) implementation will be through the Planning Department and Parks Division of Public Works with use of the parks budget.

## 12. Vehicular Traffic and Parking

James Street South, Main Street East, John Street South and Arkledun Avenue provide access for large volumes of through traffic. Charlton Street is a through traffic street passing the elementary school in the centre of the neighbourhood but is not a principal Regional road. John Street South and to a lesser extent, Charlton Avenue East form a barrier between different parts of the neighbourhood. James Street South forms a barrier between Corktown and Durand and divides and weakens the James Street South business area. Local streets are car dominated and carry significant volumes of through traffic creating noise, pollution and a threat to safety.



## Goal

Lessen the impact of moving vehicles in the neighbourhood and provide traffic calming measures.

## Policies

- a) The through traffic function of James Street South, John Street South and Main Street East will be protected.
- b) The proposed rights of way road allowances will be reviewed to determine the necessity for taking additional land for the right of way when property is developed.
- c) Charlton Avenue East will be considered for downgrading to a local road and through traffic discouraged.
- d) John Street South and James Street South will have mechanisms to slow traffic, including consideration of on street non rush hour parking for their full length. However, the function of the roads as through traffic arteries will be maintained. Passage of buses and other public transport will be protected.
- e) Traffic calming techniques intended to slow traffic and increase safety will be used throughout the neighbourhood particularly on local roads. Easy passage of buses and other public transport will be protected.
- f) Corktown will be used as a pilot project for traffic calming (co-ordinated with street landscaping measures) and have the highest priority for implementation of this plan along with acquisition and development of the 'Field of Dreams'.
- g) Traffic enforcement will be carried out bearing in mind the need to encourage business.
- h) Implementation will be through a Traffic Calming Committee co-ordinated by the Planning and Development Department and Public Works Department.

## 13. Transit

Corktown is extremely well served by transit having the GO train and bus terminal, the Mountain access buses on James Street South and John Street South and the King and Main buses to the north of the neighbourhood.

## Goal

Support for the retention of a high level of transit and improvement where appropriate.





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**NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA**

DATE: Friday, December 6, 1996

TIME: 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Room 219, 2nd Floor  
Hamilton City Hall

**AGENDA**

1. Chairpersons' Remarks
2. Minutes of Previous CAPIC Meetings
  - a) October 18, 1996
  - b) November 8, 1996
3. Downtown Neighbourhood
  - a) Status of Review - Boundaries, Analysis
4. Other Business Arising / New Business
  - a) Central Area Policies - Sub-Committee Report
  - b) Two-Way Street Proposals
  - c) Sign Control for the City of Hamilton
5. Status Reports
  - a) Community Improvement Project Area and Plan
  - b) Downtown Initiatives
  - c) Hamilton Official Plan Review
  - d) Economics of Downtown
  - e) Downtown Ideas Charrette

Nina Chapple  
Heritage Planning  
Planning and Development Department  
City Hall, Hamilton
6. Members' Reports
7. Other Business
  - a) CAPIC Meeting Dates for 1997
- \* 8. Downtown Ideas Charrette - Slide Presentation by Ken Coit 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 \*
9. Next Meeting - Friday, January 17, 1997.

*If you cannot attend the meeting, please contact Vanessa Grupe at 546-4160.*

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Monday, 1996 November 11  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 233, City Hall

The Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee met.

There were present: Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Reg Wheeler, Vice-Chairperson  
Brian Henley  
Jane Rigby  
Jeff Steadman

Regrets: Alderman William McCulloch  
Alderman Frank D'Amico  
John Mokrycke

Also present: Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department  
Ann Gillespie, Planning and Development Department  
Joy Dubbeld, Planning and Development Department  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary

1. PRESENTATION

Proposed Heritage Educational Program for the City of Hamilton

The presentation was tabled to the next meeting.

2. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

a) Status of Downtown Core

Some discussion ensued on the status of the City's downtown in light of the recent announcement that the former Kresge's building will be converted to a bingo hall, and further, the closure of Marvin Caplan's Gentlemen's Apparel.

Questions were raised on the status of the recommendations made by the Hamilton Society of Architects on downtown revitalization, and the Committee approved the following:

That the Research Sub-Committee be requested to determine the status of the Hamilton Society of Architects' recommendations on downtown revitalization as presented to City Council on 1996 October 8 and report back to the Committee at a future meeting.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Committee was in receipt of the Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1996 October 8. These Minutes were adopted as circulated.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a) Lister Block

Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department, advised Committee Members that City Council at its meeting held 1996 October 29 approved the Committee's recommendations to designate the Lister Block and to send a letter to the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada requesting that the Lister Block be evaluated for recognition as a National Historic Site.

The Committee was further advised that a meeting was held on 1996 October 6 with the Chief Administrative Officer and representatives from LACAC and the Fire, Police, Building and Planning and Development Departments to discuss ways to secure the building in light of three recent fires on site.

As a result of this meeting, the Committee was advised that the main floor of the building is inspected by the Police Department twice daily and by the Fire Department twice weekly.

It was suggested at this meeting that a security company be approached to determine whether or not they would be willing to donate their services to help secure this building. Nina Chapple indicated that the Chief Administrative Officer agreed to follow up on this suggestion. The Secretary was asked to contact the Chief Administrative Officer to determine the status of this request.

The Committee was further advised that meetings have been held with McMaster University, Mohawk College and Columbia College respecting their possible use of the Lister Block for student housing. After some discussion, the Committee approved the following:

That letters be sent to McMaster University, Mohawk College and Columbia College encouraging them to consider using the Lister Block for student housing.

b) **Plaquing Update**

The Committee agreed to add this item to the agenda and Joy Dubbeld, Planning and Development Department, presented the Committee with an overview of the activities of the Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee.

Committee Members were advised that the recommendation made by the Committee at its last meeting respecting plaquing suggestions for 1996, was approved in principle, by the Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee and will be forwarded to the Hamilton Historical Board for consideration at its meeting tomorrow.

Committee Members were asked to consider potential plaquing sites for 1997 as this item will appear on a future agenda for discussion.

c) **Status of Committee in Proposed Supercity**

Some discussion ensued on the potential effects of a Supercity on the area Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committees and the Secretary was asked to place this matter on the agenda for discussion at the Committee's next meeting.

5. **DIRECTOR, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

a) **CPR Station, 20 Studholme Road**

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 October 31 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Committee approved the following:



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That the CPR Station at 20 Studholme Road (near Aberdeen Avenue) be added to the Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest.

b) Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest - Criteria for Listing

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 November 4 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Nina Chapple, Planning and Development Department, advised Committee Members that the report outlines the procedures followed to add a building to the City's Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest and will serve as an internal working document for the Research Sub-Committee and Staff.

Brian Henley suggested that a section be added to the report which covers the recommendation of buildings to be listed at the request of outside groups or individuals. The Committee agreed to refer this matter to the Research Sub-Committee for appropriate action.

c) Burlington Canal Lighthouse and Keeper's Dwelling - Action Committee

The Committee was in receipt of a report dated 1996 October 31 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter. The Committee approved the following:

That the Action Committee established to investigate possible uses for the Burlington Canal Lighthouse and Keeper's Dwelling be reactivated.

Reg Wheeler agreed to Chair the Action Committee at this time.

d) CN Station, 360 James Street North

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 November 4 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the status of the CN Station located at 360 James Street North.

Nina Chapple circulated a Draft Status Report dated 1996 November respecting the CN Station. The Committee endorsed the report as presented and agreed that it should be made available for distribution to parties that may be interested in purchasing this property.

e) Bellevue, 14 Belvidere Avenue

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1996 November 1 from the Director, Planning and Development Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

Some discussion ensued on the status of the building which has been left vacant for the last two years.

Staff were directed to contact the Land Division Committee to determine the status of the severance of the property's six lots and report back at the next

meeting.

f) Hamilton Courthouse Project

The Committee was in receipt of a copy of letter dated 1996 October 18 from Mayor Morrow to the Ontario Realty Corporation respecting the progress and timing of the Hamilton Courthouse Project. Diane Dent asked that Reg Watkins, Senior Project Manager, be invited to attend the next meeting to bring the Committee up to date on the progress of the Courthouse Project with a site visit just prior to the meeting, if possible.

g) St. Mark's Centre

Nina Chapple presented a status report on the St. Mark's Centre and indicated that a few groups are interested in using the building but that no formal proposals have been submitted to date.

h) Stinson Neighbourhood Heritage Study and Inventory

Ann Gillespie presented a photographic display of landmarks in the Stinson Neighbourhood which is being studied at this time as part of the Planning Department's updating of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Committee Members were advised that the Research Sub-Committee will survey the neighbourhood for additions to the City's Inventory and recommendations will be forthcoming for the Committee's consideration and approval.

i) 2717 King Street East

Nina Chapple advised Committee Members that the building located at 2717 King Street East may be in danger of being demolished. The Committee was advised that the former owner recently passed away, but that her son has offered to sell the building to the City with the condition that the building be moved from its present site.

After some discussion, the Committee approved the following:

That the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee advise the Planning and Development Department, the Culture and Recreation Department and the Building Department, that it feels that the house and barn at 2717 King Street East are historically and/or architecturally important buildings and that every effort should be made to find a suitable solution so that these building can be retained on site.

j) St. Thomas Anglican Church

Takis Konstantine appeared before the Committee to express his interest in purchasing St. Thomas Anglican Church for use as an architectural artifacts/hardware/ building materials, etc. retail business.

Mr. Konstantine indicated that he is very interested in preserving the interior and exterior of the building and in speaking with the Archdeacon, indicated that the Church has no objections to the use of the building but that the



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matter will be discussed by the Church Council at its next meeting.

Nina Chapple advised Committee Members that once a Zoning Application is made to the Planning and Development Department, the Committee will be asked for comment given that this building is designated. The Committee agreed that when LACAC's comments are requested that the request should go directly to the Research Sub-Committee who will then bring forward a recommendation to the full Committee.

**6. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Committee received for information the following Sub-Committee reports:

- a) Hamilton Historical Board - Minutes of meeting held 1996 September 10
- b) Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee - Minutes of meeting held 1996 September 9

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business the meeting then adjourned.

**Taken as read and approved,**

**Diane Dent, Chairperson  
Local Architectural Conservation  
Advisory Committee**

**Charlene Touzel, Secretary**

Abstract. The purpose of this paper is to provide a survey of the current state of research on the effects of the environment on human health. The paper is organized into three main sections: (1) a review of the literature on the effects of the environment on human health, (2) a discussion of the methodological challenges in this field, and (3) a discussion of the policy implications of the research.

1. Introduction. The environment is a complex system that interacts with human health in a variety of ways. The effects of the environment on human health are both direct and indirect, and they can be both positive and negative. The purpose of this paper is to provide a survey of the current state of research on the effects of the environment on human health.

2. Methodological challenges. One of the major challenges in this field is the difficulty of isolating the effects of the environment from other factors that may influence human health. This is because the environment is a complex system that interacts with human health in a variety of ways. Another challenge is the lack of data on the effects of the environment on human health.

3. Policy implications. The research on the effects of the environment on human health has important policy implications. For example, the research suggests that there are a number of ways in which the environment can be improved to reduce the risk of human health problems. These include reducing air pollution, improving water quality, and increasing the availability of green space.

4. Conclusion. The research on the effects of the environment on human health is a rapidly growing field. There is a need for more research in this area, particularly on the methodological challenges and the policy implications of the research.

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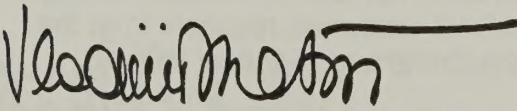
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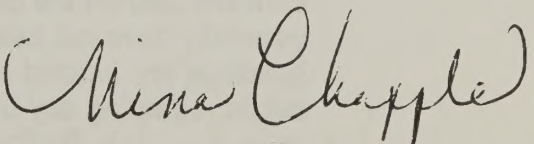
**FROM:** V. J. Abraham, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.  
Director of Planning and Development

**SUBJECT:** Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest -  
Criteria for Listing

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That LACAC endorse the Inventory of Buildings of Architectural and/or Historical Interest: Criteria for Listing, as revised in accordance with the suggestions made by LACAC members at the last meeting held 1996 October 11.

  
for VICTOR ABRAHAM



**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS: N/A**

**BACKGROUND:**

This report has been used by LACAC's Research Sub-committee as a working document for several years, during which the *criteria for listing* have been consistently applied to the evaluation of buildings for addition to the Inventory. The criteria have been refined over this time. The Research Sub-committee agreed at its meeting held 1996 October 29 that since the criteria are now in their final form, the full Inventory report should be endorsed by LACAC.

Revised page attached.



and the applications are processed as usual.

To serve as a resource for public education.

### **1.3 PROCESS**

The Inventory is a list of Hamilton properties, buildings and structures of architectural and historical interest approved by the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee (LACAC). LACAC makes additions or deletions to this Inventory, based on advice from the Research Subcommittee.

The first phase of the Inventory is to assess the value of Hamilton's existing building stock, based on the building's exterior appearance and readily available historical information. This initial evaluation is based on the merits of the building and setting and is made without formal contact with the property owner. (Criteria for the assessment are attached.)

The building is then recorded on a standardized form under its address, and is documented with a photograph and reasons for listing (A: Architectural; C: Contextual; H: Historical).

The order of the Inventory is as follows: the Central Area neighbourhoods, to be followed by the adjacent neighbourhoods, as approved by LACAC. This order was established by LACAC to correspond to the Planning Department's schedule for Neighbourhood Plans. It also reflects expected redevelopment pressures.

LACAC will also evaluate buildings for Listing upon request which are located anywhere in the City of Hamilton. Because the Inventory is currently concentrated on the older downtown neighbourhoods, the outlying areas generally have not been systematically surveyed. A number of valuable heritage buildings are located outside the core and LACAC welcomes requests from the public regarding any building of potential architectural and historical interest.

The Inventory is not considered a final document at any one time; characteristically, an Inventory responds to changes made to the building stock and surroundings as well as to changes in cultural attitudes.

### **1.4 CURRENT STATUS (as of October 1996)**

The City of Hamilton currently has approximately 3,000 buildings on the Inventory, representing less than 2% of its building stock.

At present, the Inventory is kept on file in both the Planning and Building Departments.

The Inventory is a working document. Currently, the Inventories for the Beasley and Stinson Neighbourhoods are in progress.



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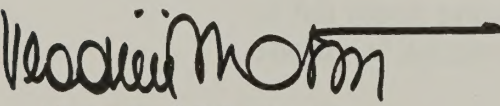
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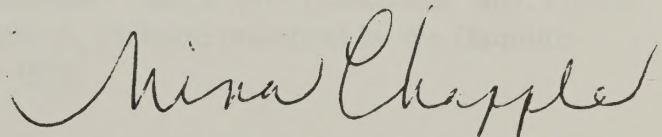
**SUBJECT:** Burlington Canal Lighthouse and Keeper's Dwelling - Action Committee

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the following persons be appointed as members of the Action Committee to investigate possible uses for the Burlington Canal Lighthouse and Keeper's Dwelling:

David Cuming, heritage consultant  
Elizabeth Nebesny, Hamilton Beach resident

  
for VICTOR ABRAHAM



**FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS: N/A**

**BACKGROUND:**

The Burlington Canal Lighthouse Action Committee was first established by LACAC in June 1991, with Reg Wheeler acting as chairman. LACAC at its last meeting recommended that this action committee be re-activated and new members appointed. Reg Wheeler agreed to be the chairperson.

Additional names of individuals interested in being members of this committee may be available at meeting.





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**DATE:** 1996 November 29

**REPORT TO:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

**FROM:** V. J. Abraham, M.C.I.P., R.P.P.  
Director of Planning and Development

**SUBJECT:** Downtown Actions

Attached are the following information items:

- i. "Strong Medicine... A Prescription for the Heart of Hamilton-Wentworth", report prepared by Michael Fenn (CAO, Regional Municipality of Hamilton-Wentworth), Joe Pavelka (CAO, City of Hamilton) and Nick Catalano (Director, Economic Development Department), August 1996
- ii. Hamilton Downtown Ideas Charrette: Final Report (conclusion only; copies of full report available at meeting); charrette presented by the Hamilton Society of Architects in June 1996.
- iii. Two recent articles from *The Spectator*

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## STRONG MEDICINE...A PRESCRIPTION FOR THE HEART OF HAMILTON-WENTWORTH

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## STRONG MEDICINE...A PRESCRIPTION FOR THE HEART OF HAMILTON-WENTWORTH

### 1.0 Introduction:

1.1 At the last municipal election, the Mayor of Hamilton and the Regional Chairman of Hamilton-Wentworth sought a mandate to take decisive action to revitalize Downtown Hamilton's "Central Business District". Over the last several years, other voices, including leaders in business, labour and the media have joined in the call for action to deal with the evident decline in the economic importance and public perception of Downtown Hamilton. Efforts have also been made through the Mayor's Downtown Task Force and the City of Hamilton's CAPIC initiative.

1.2 In this municipal council term, a group of downtown "stakeholders" were asked by municipal authorities to consider the creation of a Greater Hamilton Downtown Community Development Corporation (GHDCDC), using new legislation modelled on the successful experiments with community development corporations in older urban centres across the US and in a number of smaller communities in various Canadian Provinces. The "Founding Board" of the GHDCDC has met regularly throughout this year, including a session aimed at creating a strategic focus and work program to guide the proposed development corporation. This year has also seen the adoption of the Strategic Plan by the merchants and business people in one of the downtown's Business Improvement Areas (BIA). Most recently, the Hamilton Society of Architects has carried out an exciting two-day downtown revitalization "charette" as part of its Sesquicentennial contributions.

1.3 There is no shortage of good will or effort. But the challenge remains. It is quite clear by now that the challenges of revitalizing Downtown Hamilton will not yield to our conventional approach to civic issues. We need a new, more sophisticated and multi-faceted approach.

### 2.0 Historical Background/Contemporary Trends:

2.1 Little time needs to be spent outlining the historic role of an urban downtown, as a focus of commerce and culture. But it is equally neither necessary to point out that the contemporary economy has fundamentally undermined that role, nor to observe that our experience is unhappily shared, in varying degrees, by most cities our size throughout North America. (The Hamilton Architects Society Charette's examination of an admittedly larger centre (Pittsburgh) illustrated this last point).

2.2 Some would argue that the "edge city" phenomenon has rendered the traditional downtown "obsolete" as a retail and non-institutional commercial centre. The patterns of commerce, transportation and land-ownership are certainly not well suited to compete with the automobile-focused world of the mall, the office campus and the



industrial park.

2.3 But the tables may be turning. Disposable income is increasingly being used on services rather than goods. Busy higher-income consumers and time-pressed commuters seem more willing to pay a premium for variety and convenience, rather than relying simply on the price-competitiveness and the uniform product-lines of "power centres" and "box stores". The largely unrestrained growth in conventional retail uses across Ontario has saturated the retail marketplace, shaving profit margins very thin, and in the process rendering many second-rank retail uses uneconomic (strip plazas and discount malls, for example).

2.4 These new developments in the retail field, if anticipated and analyzed properly, could level the playing field for downtown retailers, especially those who offer service-intensive products, convenience-oriented services, or alternatives to mainstream or franchise product lines. Nor should we assume that Downtown's commercial revitalization would be led by the retail sector. Even within major industrial firms, commercial activity is increasingly dependent on information-handling and data-processing, rather than materials-handling and high-volume, low value-added manufacturing.

2.5 Demographic trends are creating a post-child-rearing generation of relatively affluent baby-boomers, with the associated consequences for consumption, housing and entertainment. Although currently under a lot of economic stress, over time cultural and hospitality uses, both Downtown and elsewhere, are likely to benefit from these trends. Economic globalization, fiscal pressures and environmental concerns are producing demands for creative solutions to the need for delivering public services more efficiently, in a compact, diversified and healthy community, and to adapt to changes in technology and working conditions.

#### Purpose of this Downtown Partnership Strategy:

2.6 The purposes of this Downtown Strategy are three-fold.

2.6.1 Its first objective is to analyze the obstacles that stand in the way of meeting our collective objective of making the Downtown of Hamilton and of the Hamilton-Wentworth regional community a place where our community can "live, work, visit and play".

2.6.2 Its second objective is to find a new way to empower existing groups and individuals with a commitment to Downtown, rather than creating new organizational structures or to involve committed supporters of the Downtown in apparently open-ended obligations to committee work.

2.6.3 The third objective of this Strategy is to find a way to have major public



institutional entities with a stake in Downtown, specifically the City of Hamilton and the Regional Municipality of Hamilton-Wentworth, join with private-sector interests, both those with Downtown presence and those with a stake in the Regional economy, in a Downtown Partnership. The approach of the Downtown Partnership would be not so much to "do" things for Downtown, as to sponsor a series of initiatives by others, in order to capitalize on the strengths and areas of interest of the participants.

#### Progress to Date:

2.7 Any analysis of the situation with Downtown Hamilton must begin with a recognition of the many initiatives that have been taken during the recession of the early 90s, and especially during the current term of municipal council. In his July 1996 Report to the City of Hamilton's Planning & Development Committee, City CAO Joe Pavelka summarized the many initiatives that have been taken to revitalize the Downtown by the City of Hamilton and others.

#### DIAGNOSING THE MALADY:

##### 3.0 Are taxes too high Downtown?

3.1 Most conventional evaluations say that the proportion of property and business taxes paid by Downtown Hamilton merchants and landlords are higher than would be the case in other commercial districts within the region, and in neighbouring regions, with the possible exception of Metropolitan Toronto. Taxes are an important component in the cost of doing business, especially for retailers, and they can be a factor in evaluating the viability of commercial development projects, which have to compete with vigorous suburban competition.

3.2 It should be said, of course, that in some commercial districts in major urban centres and in some malls, retailers are faced with a burden of non-tax "business-occupancy" costs that far exceed the additional tax burden being experienced by downtown retailers and office lessees. If the downtown economy was stronger, with more shoppers and more demand for commercial space, the heavy emphasis on taxation as "the answer" would be more balanced. Caution should also be exercised in assuming that generalized assessment reform (such as the "Actual Value Assessment" proposed to be implemented in 1998) will produce the competitive gains that downtown properties anticipate, since market-related assessment is a relative system, based not on business profitability but on land valuation.

3.3 It is therefore conceivable that revisions to downtown taxable assessments may not yield the significant reduction in net tax obligations that its proponents imagine. It is equally possible that the current Provincial proposals to replace business assessment surcharges on business tenants, and to allow the use of "variable" or adjusted mill rates for



adversely affected classes of property, may not produce the relatively large tax reductions that downtown businesses and property owners anticipate.

#### 4.0 Is the Downtown taxation regime punitive?

4.1 If a landlord decides to carry-out improvements to his or her commercial or mixed-use property, the Provincial assessors will promptly increase the value of the property's assessment in proportion to the new investment, even prior to the property being occupied. Conversely, if a commercial landlord loses a retail or commercial tenant, the Provincial assessors will reduce the tax obligation for the property by eliminating the business tax assessment payable by the tenant, and by converting the property's taxable status from "commercial" to "residential", thus reducing the landlord's tax obligation by a further 15%.

4.2 Without considering corporate Income Tax incentives for depreciation and capital losses, if the landlord decides to demolish a vacant commercial building, rather than to maintain it in a boarded-up condition, the Provincial assessor will remove the building portion of the property from the assessment roll, so that the landlord's tax obligation is limited to the vacant land. This combination of fiscal and economic inducements favouring vacancies and demolitions are added to the cost of meeting civic and building requirements for health, safety, security and heritage preservation of unoccupied buildings. Pure business economics can favour demolition.

4.3 The existing tax and assessment regime rewards keeping commercial properties vacant, rather than leasing them short-term to marginal businesses or for low rents. It also favours the creation of surface parking lots, and discourages maintaining older buildings and renovating them, or building new, unleased "speculative" space.

4.4 If a landlord succeeds in leasing office space to a governmental authority, the governmental authority is liable to pay applicable commercial taxation. If the same governmental authority uses a public building, even a building owned by another level of government (such as the Ellen Fairclough Building), it pays no property or business tax. Finally, if a governmental authority leases some portion of its own building to a private business or a Crown Corporation, the leasing business pays business taxation, but not property tax.

4.5 These tax rules discourage the Region, the City and other governmental bodies from renting otherwise suitable office space in commercial buildings, and it arguably gives private firms in government facilities (such as catering and smoke-shop uses) a competitive advantage over other commercial food shops.



## 5.0 Is the Downtown safe?

5.1 One of the most frequently repeated concerns about the Downtown is a perception of lack of security. Downtown residents and retailers cite the presence of "undesirable elements" who are making shoppers and Downtown employees uncomfortable, especially in public areas, after regular business hours, and on side streets. While some effort at policing may move around the pan-handlers, the street-people and the petty nuisances, the more likely solution is a generalized increase in pedestrian activity, a perception of public order, and a greater sense of "neighbourhood".

5.2 With increased pedestrian activity and a greater sense of "neighbourhood concern", many of those who are now perceived of as an annoyance or even a "threat" become a recognized feature of the urban fabric and even "local colour", allowing the police and the community to isolate and deal directly with any criminal elements or persistent public nuisances. But how do you promote a sense of neighbourhood? How do you promote the level of around-the-clock, throughout-the-week, "all seasons" pedestrian activity that permits the "undesirable" elements to be overwhelmed by the offsetting positive effect of the numerous and the familiar?

5.3 One of the lessons learned from the failed efforts in many US communities to make parking lots and public areas "feel safe", is that the simple expedients of enhanced lighting or more open-space do not produce a perception of safety or comfort. The glare of high-candle-power lights do not make New York's Central Park or Toronto's Regent Park much safer. Lighting can, however, be used creatively to create a mood and a perception of activity or watchfulness. The use of ornamental lighting at Christmas (Gore Park; Victoria Park in Simcoe), and the use of more creative institutional lighting (Sarasota; Nathan Phillips Square and the Theatre District in Toronto), can create a positive ambiance of safety and interest that generates the crowds who, by their presence, really DO produce a safer environment.

5.4 Ultimately, of course, the key to public safety is more people. More people widen the peak periods when there is "something happening" Downtown, and more people also create more "eyes on the street" in the off-peak times.

## 6.0 Is the Downtown a destination or a thoroughfare?

6.1 In the absence of convenient cross-town transportation arteries (such as Red Hill Expressway), the Region has developed a network of one-directional Downtown streets, which channel automobile and truck traffic to and through Downtown with an efficiency that is the envy of cities like Toronto and Ottawa. The motor-vehicle accident rates in Downtown are proportionately among the lowest among Ontario downtowns. The transit system operates with good connections and, for a Downtown location, HSR boasts remarkably efficient schedules and run times.



6.2 Anyone who has stood curbside on King Street East, or in front of the Sheraton, or opposite City Hall on Main Street, however, understands why sidewalk cafes, street-face top-quality retail, and pedestrian-friendly public uses find it difficult to take root and flourish. As things stand, King Street is for cars, not people. Those exiting the Convention Centre, Copps Coliseum, Hamilton Place, or the Sheraton, are unlikely to walk to Hess Village, or James Street North, or King Street East. The sidewalks are narrow, unsheltered from wind and the elements, with little inviting street-level activity and a high-volume of fast-moving, close-by automobile and truck traffic. For shoppers, evidence suggests that the alternative is to get into one's car and go to Limeridge, or the Meadowlands. For the entertainment "consumer", Westdale or Olde Towne Stoney Creek are apparently more inviting.

6.3 Perhaps the most significant potential for redesign and reintegration of street-level uses lies in the "tunnel" area between Bay and James, on both sides of King. With the exception of the Sheraton entrance, this stretch is a dark, wind-swept, noisy culvert of automotive, truck and bus traffic. In the daylight hours it is a scene of standing vehicles and turning-movements into parking garages, with pedestrians running the gauntlet between Jackson Square and the Convention Centre or the transit mall. In the evenings, when there are theatre patrons and convention visitors to attract and impress, it leaves them with a distinctly uninviting and negative impression of Downtown Hamilton, despite the more interesting and inviting scenes, beginning two long city blocks away to the east and the west. This should be an early candidate for the creativity of architects and urban designers. Since much of this stretch of uninviting streetscape owes its origin to municipal initiatives, municipal funds should be part of the price of undoing the well-intentioned damage done to the urban fabric of Downtown.

6.4 Is the efficiency of the Downtown's one-directional street system, and the related use of the system by the HSR and truck traffic, making it difficult to regenerate the Downtown? It is interesting to note that Kitchener has recently reversed its twenty-year experiment with one-directional streets on key downtown arteries, at a retrofit cost of \$1.5 million (although the City found that traffic signal phasing and street reconstruction requirements were such that much of the expenditure could be offset within the existing capital budget). During the Architects' Downtown Charette, Ken Greenberg and John Sewell noted that virtually no downtown one-way street outside Manhattan had any record of sustaining profitable, positive street-oriented retail activity.

## 7.0 How important is "heritage" to Downtown revitalization?

7.1 History can be an asset, or it can be a burden and an obstacle. So while much has been made of the heritage character of our Downtown and its precincts, heritage preservation has both positive and restraining implications for Downtown revitalization. Downtown revitalization should make use of heritage properties and heritage features where they contribute to the revitalization of the Downtown "neighbourhood". As the



*Gore Heritage Study* suggests, heritage buildings can be a valuable, attractive addition to a commercial district. But like any neighbourhood, the Downtown is "organic" and must be allowed to regenerate itself. Isolated heritage initiatives, often involving taxpayers investing where commercial interests cannot justify an expenditure, should be used sparingly. Likewise, an overly ambitious definition of "heritage" can leave us with a Downtown frozen in aspic, as the physical plant deteriorates awaiting some prospective "white knight" investment.

7.2 Another perennial issue in Downtown revitalization is the role of the Gore. Whatever its associations with past history and the adolescence of this community, the Gore and the recurrent redesign of Gore Park is an issue that should not be a major focus of the revitalization Downtown. The primary consideration should be to ensure that the Gore does not adopt a function that is inimical to the revitalization of the retail and hospitality businesses on which redevelopment depends. We must avoid attracting the "street people" who become a signature of the Gore Park, and by inference, east Downtown. It is much more important to ensure that the park is well maintained, pleasant and inviting to strollers and families, than it is to focus on its physical attributes or further costly restoration efforts.

7.3 If we eschew nostalgia, and focus on heritage preservation that can contribute to the Downtown's specific "neighbourhood" character, we will have a more manageable focus. For example, we may wish to promote the retention (and accent-lighting) of facades and specific buildings of enduring architectural quality, which has proved so successful in Toronto on Front and Wellington, east of the O'Keefe Centre. We should avoid trying to resuscitate archaic physical plant or to save buildings that are not historical, but merely old (or architecturally notable only within the narrow confines of this region).

## 8.0 "At the mall, we park for free..."

8.1 Virtually every discussion of downtown revitalization in mid-size urban centres, not only across North America, but throughout the developed world, seems to begin and end with a discussion of traffic congestion and automobile parking. The key consideration is a delicate balance. Hard-headed economic necessity says we should do everything we can to accommodate those, especially Downtown retail and entertainment shoppers, who find it convenient to take their automobile to shop. Bundles and durables are not easily accommodated on the HSR, and most middle-aged or suburban couples no longer go to the theatre or the market on the bus. On the other hand, we want to promote increased transit ridership, and we must pay a realistic "economic rent" for the considerable public and private investment we have in parking garages and parking lots in the Downtown. Transit can also offer a safe and practical alternative to the private motor vehicle for hospitality patrons, students and those without access to motor vehicles. Some measure of congestion may even be a positive indication of commercial success. As noted



neo-traditionalist developer Robert Davis observed: "Any town worth its salt has a parking problem".

8.2 The convenience of mall parking is likewise often overlooked. The mall parking lot conveys the impression of being close-by and safe, even if it is no closer "as-the-crow-flies" than secondary parking in downtown, or parking "ramps". Part of the success of areas like James Street North and Hess Village lies in the illusion that parking is convenient and available on or near the street. It is possible that the complaint that downtown shopping has "no parking" should be addressed as both a price and a convenience issue. In fact, in an age of the "loonie" and the "twonie", the resistance to relatively expensive but convenient on-street parking may be lessening, as two dollars becomes pocket change for many drivers.

8.3 What has not lessened, however, is the universal distaste (whether in Hamilton, Toronto, New York City or Simcoe) for the parking enforcement program. Is it possible that people would tolerate higher rates in exchange for a lower degree of over-time enforcement? At a minimum, it is time that municipal authorities addressed the Downtown without specific reference to the exigencies of municipal bookkeeping. As long as by-law enforcement and parking authorities must operate "in the black", there will continue to be resistance to ideas that might generate new business taxes at the cost of reduced parking revenues.

8.4 What is a reasonable short-term parking limit?

There have been a variety of experiments with parking time-limits, but too often the terms are geared to the time it takes to undertake a purposeful shopping visit or a business luncheon (or at times when patrons likely anticipate paying for parking in any event). The effort seems aimed at discouraging downtown employees from cluttering-up on-street and adjacent off-street parking spaces, and accommodating the shopper who knows what he or she wants. Parking validation programs tend to suffer from the same underlying assumptions, which discourage casual and extended downtown visits.

8.5 In a mall setting, employees are encouraged to park somewhat farther from the immediate area, but employees share the benefits of "free" parking. Likewise, while the mall is a "destination" shopping centre, it would never survive on the trade of those (excluding grocery shoppers) who come to the mall with an itemized, time-limited shopping list.

8.6 Downtown parking policy should promote the concept of leisurely shopping and leisurely dining. A movie or a concert takes more than two hours; so does an enjoyable dinner. We should set more realistic timing for any initiatives aimed at relaxing parking charges or parking enforcement, and do so without the nuisance factor of parking validation. It is also in the public interest to encourage low-cost commuting options for



those who work in the downtown service and retail trades, for many of whom transit is a poor alternative to the automobile. Both these measures would help to "level the playing field" with the malls.

## 9.0 The "vacant lot" problem

9.1 In common with most major urban centres, Hamilton's Downtown has a significant volume of vacant land and abandoned buildings adjacent to the core. The Economic Development Department's "development opportunities" map, which shows vacant lots in bright red, makes the situation plain. The reasons are numerous. Many older structures were acquired at a time when it appeared that Downtown real estate would recover to its glory days of the 50s and 60s, and the short-lived North American boom in downtown real estate that occurred in during the 80s. Many old structures have been demolished, because they were not physically sound, because their renovation was uneconomic, and because our Federal and Municipal tax and assessment rules favour depreciation and demolition of physical structures rather than their restoration.

9.2 While there is need to come to the aid of those who have Downtown commercial and residential buildings, there is also a need to rebalance the factors that discourage building owners from keeping properties leased, and from keeping buildings in tact when business factors exact a penalty for doing so. We must find a way to promote leasing rather than vacancies, and to provide those with vacant lands with both positive and negative incentives to develop them or to enhance their use in anticipation of development.

9.3 Another important but less evident negative feature of the vacant lot problem lies in the relatively extensive area covered by our Downtown. For a "neighbourhood" that serves as the primary central business district (CBD) for a region of fewer than 500,000 people, the Hamilton Downtown covers a vast and often unconnected area that would be more than adequate for a much larger metropolitan area. Although we cannot remake urban geography, we should address this problem realistically and creatively.

9.4 Some see the Downtown as the area between Bay and Wellington, from Hunter to Wilson. Others would extend it to include Victoria in the east, and Queen, or even Locke, in the west. This is a vast area within which to focus a redevelopment effort, or to define as a "Downtown neighbourhood" separate from the other lower city neighbourhoods that abut the Downtown. The north limit of the Downtown area from Bay to Wellington, for example, if tracked along York/Wilson, runs eleven city blocks.

9.5 We must find a way to integrate Hess Village with the public institutional uses to the east, especially those which have the potential for making the Sheraton, the Art Gallery, the Convention Centre, Hamilton Place and Copps Coliseum more attractive for visitors, as well as making these facilities live up to their original promise as significant contributors to the vitality of the whole Downtown. In other regions, large farmers



markets and large libraries are major magnets for people, and produce significant spin-off trade (the Winnipeg Forks; Fanueil Hall and Harvard Square in Boston; Lonsdale Quay in North Vancouver; etc.). We must find a way to reintegrate the Farmers Market and the Central Library into the street life and commercial environment of Downtown. (In Kitchener, for example, there is discussion about its famed market being relocated onto public roadways, rather than being kept indoors).

9.6 While no-one can force-feed "multiculturalism" outside of the Epcot Centre, there is a considerable potential, demonstrated by James Street North, for promotion of ethno-cultural retailing and hospitality trade, aimed at the broader market. A simple focus on restaurants and terrace bars made a great retail success of ethnic hospitality marketing in Toronto's Danforth, Montreal's Duluth/Prince Arthur district, and one of the most intractable of downtown challenges, Detroit's "Greektown". For example, an Italian-market focus, featuring food, fashion and household design goods, modelled on Toronto's Corso Italia (St. Clair West), has evident potential with minimal public spending and public encouragement. Similarly, there is potential for developing a Downtown marketplace that would appeal to the Golden Horseshoe's expanding east Asian population.

9.7 In an era of high technology and discriminating entertainment spending, it may be more effective to build "connections" in the Downtown through the use of walkways, floral plantings, landscaping and the linking of surface parking lots. Urban design features (like "thematic" lighting or "signature" colours, such as awnings) are much more effective than the somewhat passive and sophisticated links effected by facade and historic building preservation. Styling downtown as a centre of technology, communications and contemporary arts may create interesting opportunities to use patterned lighting, facade illumination, street-level neon and light-banding, and similar measures. On a year-round basis the foregoing innovations will likely prove more compelling than subtle design and heritage linkages that practically require a Michelin guidebook to appreciate. A continuous pattern of street accent-lights or strip-neon lighting would also be a useful adjunct to efforts to link disparate Downtown districts into an integrated whole.

9.8 The redevelopment of George Street and the adjoining vacant lots, the reintroduction of Jackson Square into King Street, the widening and seasonal floral enhancement of sidewalks, the encouragement of hospitality-related encroachments, and the introduction of in-season landscaping and off-season parking, would do a great deal to promote more pedestrian interest and connection throughout the Downtown. Likewise, some measures to protect key intersections and key stretches of streets from the sterilizing effects of institutional, street-level uses would help build an interesting street culture. While institutional and financial services uses often favour (and can uniquely afford) prime locations, they generally have street activity only within relatively confined daylight periods on weekdays.



9.9 Urban land economics play a key role in downtown revitalization. If investors guess wrong about business cycles and land-price trends, they can find they have paid too much for downtown sites. In these circumstances, they may choose simply to hold the land at the lowest maintenance cost, until the opportunity to recapture some of their losses presents itself, or until they are in a better position to realize the financial loss associated with a poorly performing investment. By carrying investments at "book value", investors can avoid realizing a loss in a way that might negatively affect the structure of their debt obligations, or their tax liabilities, or their performance commitments to their principal shareholders (or even simply admitting to themselves that they made a mistake and paid too much).

9.10 The consequences of refusing to relinquish property assets at current market valuations, however, can have serious implications for moving ahead with Downtown redevelopment opportunities. Waiting for things to get better financially can take a long time, and in the interim, significant downtown parcels lie beyond the reach of builders and investors willing to acquire properties at their realistic current values. The "success" of the recent sales in the Piggott Block demonstrates that some downtown redevelopment can only occur when an original investor realizes a loss on an investment that was made in more promising circumstances. Downtown properties can have the investment profile of higher-risk commercial resort-property investments, where occasionally only successor investors, paying more realistic prices for the assets, can show profitability.

#### 10.0 Do we need "blockbuster" developments?

10.1 For a generation, those of us in the municipal sector have tried to use public funds to "jump start" the Downtown, by promoting major investments in public or private infrastructure. While these developments, in themselves, have been generally successful, they have never produced the scale of spin-off development that had been promised and anticipated. In fact, the sterility of the King Street "tunnel" east of Bay Street, and the underutilization of the Jackson Square roof and Commonwealth Square, suggest that public projects may have inadvertently contributed to the decline in street-level activity Downtown, rather helping to overcome it.

10.2 The lesson seems to be that municipalities should aim for more "base hits" and fewer "home runs". We have a vast investment in public infrastructure, ranging from Copps Coliseum and the Plus 15 roof of Jackson Square, to the Art Gallery, Convention Centre and Theatre Aquarius. Our additional efforts should be devoted to making these initial investments and existing assets pay bigger dividends for the taxpayers and business people who invested in them in the past.

10.3 Each year, the municipalities sink large amounts of public funds into routine refuse pick-up, horticulture and special events promotion. While these investments should be maintained and perhaps even expanded, it is time that the private sector showed the



same confidence in the future of Downtown. The public sector can provide support, but it should refrain from trying to "buy" revitalization, especially in the present fiscal climate. The public sector should reinforce private business decisions that make sense, and the public sector should stimulate business arrangements by leveraging public assets and public expenditures that would have been made in any event (such as leasing office space, or installing fibre-optic infrastructure, or adjusting levy and regulatory regimes to produce a more positive business climate).

10.4 Given present and near-term future fiscal conditions, however, the Regional Municipality should avoid any situation that requires it to get into a long-term business partnership with a private firm or landlord, other than as a business tenant or vendor of land or rights-of-way. This is not to preclude, however, one of the municipalities taking options on strategic properties. Developing a "marketing prospectus" that aims to interest potential investors, and to address realistically their economic concerns about Downtown business conditions, could make a major contribution to revitalizing key properties and districts within the Downtown. One option might be to offer to match a solid commitment of private-sector investment with some corresponding ratio of public-sector funds in associated and supporting public amenities or infrastructure. But the public authority should always position itself as limiting its risk of loss, even at the expense of foregoing opportunities to share in anticipated profits and revenues.

#### 11.0 How do we get people to come Downtown?

11.1 If you look at the most successful downtowns across North America and Europe, you are stuck with the fact that residents, in particular, do not need to be encouraged "to come downtown". Aside from tourists and visiting business people, who typically see a Downtown as the signature of the city, the most successful Downtowns do not need to encourage people to "come downtown", because they ARE downtown. If one looks at college towns, for example, like Kingston (Ontario) or Heidelberg (Germany) or Florence (Italy), the downtown thrives because its own downtown residents make it an interesting place to work, play and visit.

11.2 Only when Hamilton-Wentworth residents regain their love visiting their Downtown, and only when the desire to live Downtown outstrips the availability of housing, is it realistic to think that our broader promotional efforts will help revitalize Downtown. Out-of-town tourists and investors are unlikely to show more interest and confidence in our Downtown than we do.

11.3 In addition to having a relatively large number of downtown residents, successful downtowns reflect a diversity of incomes and social strata. Our downtown has neither. Our downtown (in common with too many others across North America) has a relatively small downtown resident population. In addition, the relatively low cost of nearby north-end housing tends to attract a disproportionate number of lower income



residents. While being able to offer reasonably priced housing for low-income people is a positive feature of Hamilton's downtown, it inevitably militates against economic and social diversity. In our case, moreover, this lack of social diversity has been accentuated by concentrating most of the social services and extended health care services in this area, not just for the Hamilton area, but for the much of the area encompassing Niagara and Mid-West Ontario.

11.4 The net effect of this concentration is to produce a relatively smaller population of middle-income residents than would be seen elsewhere. This 'concentration' of lower-income residents also detracts from the important social goal of a heterogeneous social structure in the central city. It has the collateral effect of attracting a disproportionate number of people with a complex array of social, medical and psychological needs to settle in the downtown, to be convenient to these support services. This sequence of events has the by-product of giving the Downtown a distinctive but not especially positive aspect to the casual visitor, and it materially limits the market for a wider range of goods, commercial services and "entertainment" uses. Of course, we should not look to displace low-income Downtown residents, but as we expand the resident population of Downtown, our goal should be more social and income diversity.

11.5 We should adopt one of the long-standing adages of tourism promotion, which holds that if you make your community interesting for your own residents, the rest of the world is much more likely to believe you when you promote its merits externally. "Boosterism" failed in Buffalo's economic-development and tourism promotions because, in large measure, Buffalo area residents didn't believe in their own message, as they demonstrated with their investment, housing and shopping choices. If we can make our Downtown a popular residential community, for a full range of social and economic groups, it will have the diversity and interest that will spawn other investments. In simple terms, if the Downtown has lots of housing and lots of entertainment opportunities, the rest will follow. We should not need to subsidize expensive free-standing "destination" facilities, in the hope that out-of-town visitors will salvage our downtown with their tourism and entertainment dollars.

## A VARIETY OF PRESCRIPTIONS FOR A VARIETY OF SYMPTOMS

### 12.0 Retailing

12.1 Downtowns have spent too long fighting a rear-guard action against contemporary trends in retailing, commerce and manufacturing. As it stands now, we have far more conventional retail space Downtown than even a buoyant market could be expected to support. We should design our strategy to embrace those aspects of contemporary economic trends that can, with modification, be served better from a Downtown location, either due to market, cost or adaptive reuse. Some markets for "category killers" and "box stores" would likely be more easily accessed from a downtown



location (for example, those geared to Generation X or tourists). In major US and British centres, there are good examples of "box stores" thriving in downtown locations where the marketing is targeted: HMV, LL Bean, Sports Authority, Barnes & Noble, and similar outlets have demonstrated the potential direct and indirect impact of a good Downtown location for a "box store" use.

12.2 In addition to the idea of specialty market "box stores" in a downtown location, our Downtown has considerable potential to take advantage of the longer-term relative weakness of the Canadian dollar and the proximity of US air and road access, by attracting name-brand US "outlet" chains to our Downtown, both to serve the US travel market and our own Southern Ontario domestic market. Enticing US firms without a Canadian presence to our Downtown has considerable potential to give us a distinctive market niche, while allowing major US firms to "test" the Canadian market at a lower risk.

Action Step #1:

*The Regional Chairman, the Mayor and the Chairman of Economic Development & Planning, with the support of the two CAOs and the Director of Economic Development, should initiate specific contacts at a senior level with targeted leading US "niche" retailers (such as Barnes & Noble or L.L. Bean), with a view to recruiting such firms to locate a major facility in Downtown.*

*To support this effort, staff from the City and the Region, with the aid of the development community and the BIAs, should prepare a detailed comparison of the cost of doing business in Downtown Hamilton, in relation to the costs in other downtown locations and comparable suburban locations.*

13.0 Commercial Properties

13.1 In keeping with the concept of staying ahead of emerging economic trends and cost-structures, we see from experience elsewhere that older buildings can be a platform for the new economy. Renovations to space extensive but inefficient older commercial buildings can make them attractive to software houses, design studios, and call-centres.

13.2 Hamilton is well positioned to take advantage of these trends. In industries such as contemporary music, advertising, design and internet services, a number of features combine to make Downtown as attractive as other similarly positioned inner-city micro-economies. The features include: the availability of low-cost space; convenient access to the Toronto marketplace, and excellent fibre-optic and courier services; and, a computer-literate workforce with convenient support from Mohawk, McMaster, Sheridan and Waterloo institutions and a number of commercial suppliers.



Action step #2:

*City and Regional staff, in co-operation with members of the Hamilton Society of Architects, should contact landlords of major vacant commercial buildings, seeking permission to develop architectural renderings of possible adaptations of existing commercial and residential space, suitable for artists, designers, software houses, studios, loft apartments and similar uses. The proposed Downtown Co-ordinator would have this as a principal responsibility, but in the interim, the initiative should be managed by the Director of Economic Development, on behalf of the City and the Region.*

13.3 Downtown Hamilton has better fibre-optic connections than most of the Greater Toronto Area, including the potential for excellent communications linkages with the Northeastern United States through the Niagara Frontier. These connections have the potential for greatly enhancing the region's appeal for association headquarters and commercial "back-office" uses, both of which require the type of office space so plentiful in Downtown. But Ontario business people tend not to think of Hamilton as a communications centre, so we must develop take steps to broadcast that message.

Action Step #3:

*The Region and the City should champion the creation of improved fibre-optic network opportunities, radiating from the Downtown. To demonstrate the potential of fibre-optic infrastructure and our commitment to a modern Downtown economy, the Region and the City, through the CAOs and Hamilton and Wentworth Libraries, should sponsor the development of a Downtown-centred public-sector network infrastructure over the next twelve months, in co-operation with educational institutions and the regional cable television industry.*

13.4 The Region and the City should also promote improved telephone and postal services, as the basis for promoting the Downtown as a focal centre for national and regional associations and societies, as well as for call-centre uses. Special efforts should be made to entice the Canadian Society of Association Executives to have its conventions and meetings in Hamilton-Wentworth, in order to give us the opportunity to encourage its institutional members to consider Downtown Hamilton as a potential site for both headquarters and back-office functions.

Action step #4:

*The Region and the City (through HECFI) should make a special effort to cultivate the Canadian Society of Association Executives, with a view to confirming its convention in Hamilton in 1997 and doing everything feasible to ensure a large participation by its members. When the convention is held in Hamilton, the Region's Economic Development Committee members and staff should make a special effort to demonstrate the strength of*



*the potential of Downtown as an "association headquarters" node.*

#### 14.0 Commercial Property Redevelopment

14.1 The Region and the City should work together to minimize the cost of doing business downtown, and to impose disincentives for vacating, demolishing and underutilizing Downtown commercial property.

14.2 Using the new provisions of the Municipal Act, the Region should impose licensing requirements on vacant lots that are used primarily for paid short-term stay and long-term rental parking lots, aimed at promoting their highest and best use. Licensing fees should be imposed to offset any property tax advantage realized by demolition, and licensing conditions should include provision for landscaping, transit shelters, surface treatment and handicapped access. Special efforts should also be made to enforce any site maintenance conditions imposed as a requirement of demolition or redevelopment approval.

#### Action Step #5:

*The Region and the City should explore the feasibility of developing a commercial parking lot licensing by-law, and a site maintenance by-law for non-paid or non-parking-lot uses. The objective would be to ensure that floral plantings and street furniture are prominent features of vacant lots, and the licensing fees should be set at a rate that offsets the property tax gains realized by building demolition, and provides a financial spur to develop vacant lots. Councillor Frank D'Amico, as Authority Chairman, and the Hamilton Parking Authority may wish to pursue this and related parking initiatives.*

14.3 Recognizing that assessment reform may take some time, and may not be as favourable as anticipated, the municipalities should take steps now, even if it has the effect of reducing the amount of taxes paid by current businesses. City staff should assist existing landlords and commercial tenants to minimize their realty and business tax liability through careful designation of their property uses. City staff should lend their considerable technical and analytical resources to support tax appeals by established businesses, and conversely, pursue aggressively any appeals from property owners leaving properties vacant or proposing demolition of useful buildings.

#### Action Step #6:

*The Region and the City should create a "Business First Program" and/or a "One Stop Shopping" concept for dealing with Downtown tax and assessment issues. So that appealing property owners get relief as quickly as possible, the City and the Region should determine whether they can facilitate a process through which the Ontario Municipal Board would agree to mediate settlements between the Assessment Commissioner and the*



*appellants, especially those affecting existing non-institutional commercial uses, or as part of an agreement with specific landlords for the redevelopment of their underutilized properties.*

14.4 The City and the Region should explore the potential for granting property tax exemptions under the Municipal Act for municipal and quasi-municipal uses, including time-limited exemptions for commercial buildings that lease to local government tenants (City, Regional Municipality, school boards, etc.).

Action Step #7:

*The Region's Financial Services staff and the City's Treasury staff should explore measures to grant full or time-limited property tax exemptions to municipal and cultural facilities offering municipally financed programs and services to the community, to be effective for the 1997 taxation year. To cushion the potential negative effect on school boards, the Region and the City should consider a grant to phase-in these exemptions.*

14.5 It should be the responsibility of the Downtown Coordinator to recruit new commercial and retail tenants (both long-term and shorter-term), or to relocate them to more suitable downtown locations. It would also be the responsibility of the Downtown Coordinator to facilitate meetings with property owners and prospective investors, either individually, or on a block-by-block basis, with a view to creating redevelopment opportunities. The Downtown Coordinator would be particularly conscious of the objective of ensuring that properties remain leased and in occupancy, and to use the range of commercial leasing and business plan development resources available through the Economic Development Department.

15.0 Housing

15.1 The future of Downtown may depend on its commercial and retail vitality, but its commercial and retail vitality depend on our ability to increase substantially the size of the Downtown "micro-economy". Some of this growth in the "micro-economy" may be produced by increased day-use by shoppers, office workers and visitors, but the most sustained and enduring foundation for the Downtown economy would be to generate a larger, more diverse resident population. If we redefine the Downtown as its own "neighbourhood", we find that the Downtown resident population is relatively small. We would propose to double the residential population over the next seven years, with a judicious mix of middle-income housing, lower-income housing and "specialty" housing (students, "lofts", seniors). The numerous vacant lots in the immediate vicinity of Downtown would form the core of this effort to produce new housing.

15.2 The promotion of new residential projects will focus on rebalancing the mix of residents in the Downtown, including lofts for artists, and mixed-use developments that



would cater to those in such industries as computers and graphic design (Lister Block?).

15.3 Responsibility for spear-heading housing projects should fall to the City of Hamilton Housing Corporation, with the support of the City, the Region, and the City Parking Authority.

Action Step #8:

*Over the next twelve months, the City of Hamilton Housing Corporation, under the chairmanship of Councillor Bob Charters, should "option" several properties, and develop a prospectus for them individually or collectively. (The commercial real estate professionals with a regular involvement Downtown should be part of the effort to redevelop targeted sites, and their efforts should complement those of the Housing Corporation.) Officials of the Housing Corporation should also meet with officials of the Parking Authority, to identify sites that may lend themselves to redevelopment, or that might be used to assist in meeting parking requirements for new residential or commercial projects.*

16.0 Strategic Redevelopment

16.1 With the advice of the many Stakeholders in Downtown, municipal government should (either directly or through an agency, such as the City's Housing Corporation) identify four or five major potential redevelopment sites, all on or within two blocks of King Street. These sites would be optioned, and either an investment prospectus or a call for proposals would be developed to interest potential investors. The objective would be to create two or more major redevelopment projects, as "climate builder" for Downtown revitalization. Among the tools to be employed would be a relaxation of requirements for parking, park dedication and other levies and fees.

16.2 In the Downtown Charette, considerable mention was made of the potential to link the Downtown with the Waterfront and the Escarpment. As a practical matter, the most underdeveloped linkage is between the Downtown and the North End, including the Harbour Lands and the West Harbour. Consideration could be given to the creation of better transit linkages to serve this area, and moving ahead with more inviting access routes, such as the proposed Ferguson Avenue "boulevard" treatment, south of Cannon.

16.3 In an effort to forge better links between the various successful areas of Downtown, it is proposed that the Region and the City sponsor the redevelopment and revitalization of (1) the area between King and Cannon on James North, including York between Bay and John; (2) the area between Hess and the Convention Centre, on the George Street right-of-way, but incorporating and reconfiguring some of the adjacent lands and institutional buildings; and, (3) the area between Theatre Aquarius and the Broadway Cinema, to King Street East. The objective would be to promote a year-round, all-season



pedestrian linkage along these three corridors, using lighting, street-hardware, plantings and commercial uses.

16.4 Consideration might be given to "opening up" the Summers Lane enclosure and improving the potential for pedestrian flows through the west wall of the parking garage towards the George Street right-of-way.

16.5 Following on the proposal from the Downtown Charette, discussions should be undertaken with Jackson Square and Eaton Centre management, concerning the ways in which Jackson Square and the Eaton Centre could be more effectively "opened up" to York, James and King.

16.6 As provided in the Region's contract with Philip Utilities Management Corporation, the Philip Environmental group of companies should be asked to move ahead on its commitment to relocate most of its corporate functions to a Downtown location, ideally one with a new or redeveloped building.

Action Step #9:

*The various proposals outlined under the heading "Strategic Initiatives" should be refined by the Downtown Partnership, and carried forward by Economic Development and HECFI staff, with assistance from other Regional and City officials, under the overall joint direction of the two Chief Administrative Officers.*

17.0 Transportation

17.1 The Downtown Charette proposed that consideration be given to the installation of two-directional traffic on James North and South, and on King and possibly Main. The proposal included the concept of a so-called counter-flow transit lane (westbound) on Main Street. Such a proposal may be too extensive for a community that has come to rely on the speed and convenience of its one-way street system. However, there is merit in partial implementation of the proposal.

17.2 It is suggested that King Street be converted to a two-directional street from Ferguson to Queen, and the number of through lanes be reduced to two westbound and one eastbound. The balance of the right-of-way would be converted to flower-plantings, shrubbery, sidewalk widenings, and retail/restaurant encroachments in the warmer months, and three-hour no-charge on-street parking during the off-season. Consideration might also be given to reversing the flow on James Street, to facilitate northbound connection between Downtown and the Waterfront, including the James North commercial district and to promote enhanced development opportunities for the CN Station.

17.3 Drawing on the successful experience of Denver, consideration should be



given to establishing a no-charge belt-line bus service (without transfers) on a Queen/Main/Ferguson or Wellington/King/Queen loop. Consideration might also be given to having the Downtown service vehicles somewhat distinctive in either equipment design or exterior markings. The City of Brampton, for example, apparently makes use of a double-decker bus for limited service.

17.4 Along with Winnipeg, Ottawa and Quebec City, Hamilton-Wentworth is one of the few major urban centres without light rapid transit or conventional rapid transit. The revitalization of the Downtown and the North End, and improving the linkages between the Mountain and the Lower City might be facilitated by the installation of some form of light rapid transit connection or funicular railway between the north Mountain (including parking) and the Waterfront, with convenient Downtown connections. While this idea has been considered in some guise for generations, its consideration as a development tool for Downtown and the Waterfront, rather than simply a transit project, may justify its more serious consideration this time.

17.5 Consideration should also be given to the establishment of dedicated multi-passenger lanes on Downtown arterials, primarily to serve HSR vehicles.

17.6 The Region should negotiate with the Student Councils at both Mohawk and McMaster for the provision of a no-fare "downtown routes" bus pass, to be financed as part of the annual roster of student activity fees.

17.7 At the same time as altering the direction of traffic on King and James is being evaluated, consideration should be given to the merit of a permanent closure of the south "leg" of King Street, between James and Hughson or John and Hughson, with the attendant relocation of transit bus staging to a parallel street or bus "mall".

#### Action Step #10:

*Proposals for carrying out the measures outlined under the heading "Transportation" should be refined by the Regional Commissioner of Transportation and appropriate Hamilton City officials, in consultation with the Downtown Partnership, and presented for consideration by the Regional Transportation Services Committee and the Transportation & Environment Committee of the City.*

17.8 Downtown should allow universal 3-hour parking off-street parking in all municipal lots, at no charge to the user. The charge for on-street parking should be one-dollar per hour, with a metered maximum of three dollars.

#### Action Step #11:

*The City of Hamilton Parking Authority should consider proposals to institute a*



*universal 3-hour off-street municipal parking charge, before November 1, 1996. The Region's Transportation Services Committee should also consider opportunities to expand the availability of metered and unmetered on-street parking, coincident with proposals for reducing the width of main Downtown arteries.*

#### 18.0 Land-Use Planning & Design Controls

18.1 The Downtown should be designated a secondary planning area, and created a separate "neighbourhood" within the City of Hamilton and Hamilton-Wentworth Regional Official Plans.

18.2 Main Street should be developed as the premier institutional address for Hamilton-Wentworth Region, featuring such uses as City Hall, the Board of Education, the Court House and commercial and governmental addresses. As such, there should be extensive landscaping and street hardware, and the use of portable signage should be restricted to the greatest possible extent between the University and Victoria.

18.3 To the extent that the City of Hamilton determines that buildings have heritage and architectural value, the City should seek to acquire facade easements rather than entire buildings. Given the present fiscal climate, the City should seek to acquire facade easements by dedication as a condition of development, rather than purchasing them. Likewise, given the Regional Municipality's financial challenges, the Region should not find itself acquiring real estate to promote aesthetic objectives.

18.4 Regional offices should be used to lever developments, and be prepared to move periodically to stimulate downtown redevelopment projects. If appropriate, the Region should reconsider its near-term decision to occupy the Wentworth Court House, particularly if another, new institutional user could be found for that property and the Region's office requirements could be used to lever an additional downtown development.

#### Action Step #12:

*Under the direction of the Regional Clerk and the CAO, the program of relocation should begin immediately, with the objective of relocating all available regional offices by mid-1997. Although some "rounding out" of existing staff accommodation needs is justified, the majority of available Regional office space, including the offices of the Chairman and the CAO, should be relocated to properties where the office-space lease would create new development opportunities, rather than merely being located in an existing properties in east Downtown.*

*To launch this exercise, the Region or the Hamilton Housing Corporation should consider a Request for Proposals approach to the selective redevelopment of key sites, using Regional office space as a factor in improving the economic viability of a*



*redevelopment proposal.*

18.5 As part of the effort to promote the second-tier of streets parallel to King Street, consideration should be given to the potential for redeveloping the interior of the lots facing King William, especially between James and Hughson, provided that the mass and height of the proposals reflect a scale that is consistent with surrounding properties.

18.6 In an effort to parallel the aesthetic impact of mall-imposed design standards, the BIAs should consider the feasibility of requiring a uniform awning or signage standard for areas with a commercial affinity. To make the Downtown more "mall like", municipal authorities and BIAs should investigate ways in which landlords and commercial tenants could be persuaded to enter into risk/reward agreements to promote consistency in the application of marketing, urban design, business focus, store facades, selection of types of businesses, etc.

18.7 The Hamilton Society of Architects, and those participating in its Downtown Charette, have contributed a number of exciting ideas on possible development opportunities within Downtown, including the adaptive re-use of a number of buildings and sites. These ideas are to be catalogued and presented to the community. This material can form an excellent basis for introducing prospective investors to the many exciting opportunities for Downtown revitalization, as well as helping us here in the community to look afresh at a Downtown that can become too familiar in its existing format.

18.8 Assuming that the Regional office relocation effort proves successful, space will be vacated in the Ellen Fairclough Building and potentially in other Downtown office buildings. While there is apparently an abundance of Class B office space Downtown, the priority of geographically targeted redevelopment justifies some specific new office space being developed. However, as existing space is vacated, there will be need to recruit replacement tenants, especially for "government" buildings. As Provincial and Federal consolidation and down-sizing proceeds, we should put forward a strong case for scattered "field offices" being consolidated in Hamilton as a major regional centre for senior levels of government.

## 19.0 Strategic Initiatives

19.1 The entertainment dollar holds one of the greatest potential sources of revenue for the Downtown. To sustain entertainment spending Downtown, we must sustain our major cultural attractions and encourage them to focus on a mainstream, community-oriented market. To make the best use of the facilities already in place, we may wish to explore the potential for more partnerships and strategic alliances among Theatre Aquarius, the Art Gallery, "Hamilton Philharmonic", Opera Hamilton, Football Hall of Fame, etc. with Ontario-wide and Western New York State counterparts. The interests of the Downtown are best served if the events in the HECFI facilities attract the



widest possible audience (both in numbers and geographic extent). The most lucrative HECFI dates should not be routinely allocated to community events with more limited appeal and greater scheduling flexibility.

19.2 Special efforts should be made to utilize the extensive collection of the Art Gallery (especially potentially large-appeal collections like the Gallery's Group of Seven holdings). The great success of limited-run, advance-ticketed attractions is evident in such events as the Barnes Collection at the Art Gallery of Ontario and, most recently, the stunning success of the Jackson (Mississippi) exposition of the Russian Hermitage Collection.

Action step #13:

*The Regional and City CAOs, the Director of the Art Gallery and the members of the Board of the Art Gallery should discuss ways in which the Region could assist in the mounting of a major exhibition from the Gallery's permanent collection, aimed at mass-marketing the Art Gallery during 1997.*

19.3 In the interests of building professional sports use of Copps Coliseum, Economic Development should convene a meeting of the Mayors and Regional Chairmen/County Executives from Quebec City, Saskatoon, Winnipeg, Nashville, San Francisco, Atlanta, New Orleans, etc., to consider developing a business proposal to the NHL for a "Second Division" NHL league, on the model of the British Premier Division/Second Division Football League system.

Action step #14:

*With the assistance of the Regional and City CAOs, the CEO of HECFI and the Director of Economic Development should develop a proposal for a Second Division NHL, to be presented to the Mayors and County Executives/Regional Chairmen of interested communities during the 1996-97 NHL season, with a view to making a formal presentation to the NHL Board of Governors in 1997.*

19.4 Municipal support for new public attractions ventures should be limited to Private Act time-limited tax exemptions or a deed of land and waiver of fees. The Region should neither underwrite or guarantee loans, nor commit itself to sharing any operating deficit on an attraction facility. Reinvestment and more market-appealing presentations in the Canadian Football Hall of Fame and Whitehearn could complement new facilities, such as the proposed Canadian Popular Music Hall of Fame.

19.5 The recently announced interest of the Hamilton-Halton Homebuilders Association in Downtown is an important development. It is a vote of confidence by a group that is in a unique position to stimulate positive new development and new energy in



Downtown. It is also important to consider the model selected by those who know the market-place best: builders and developers. They have selected a low-rise, medium-density style of commercial development, which has an appearance quite similar to the mixed commercial/retail style that one sees in successful mixed-use downtown neighbourhoods, like Newbury Street in Boston.

19.6 The Region and the City should explore the concept of expanding the scope of the Homebuilders' initiative into building a neo-traditional neighbourhood on vacant and underutilized property Downtown and in the adjacent North End and Waterfront. The success of communities such as Seaside, Florida, points to the potential to make Downtown attractive to a wider variety of people, and to promote the style of residential community that will bring both vitality and greater residential density to Downtown. Certainly the style of this development closely parallels the development that made for such traditional neighbourhoods as the Durand neighbourhood adjacent to the Downtown, and reflects the potential for neighbourhood integration, such has been achieved on the Ryerson School site. *(See attached article for more details on this concept)*

19.7 To date, with the possible exception of Harbour Town (Memphis), most neo-traditional projects around North America have been suburban in character. Hamilton-Wentworth could put itself on the urban planning map, and reinforce its leadership position in the sustainability movement, with a successful application of the neo-traditional model to an inner-city site. Such a project would also be a concrete example of our efforts to promote intensification and to work within the moratorium on "greenfields" infrastructure expansion.

#### Action step #15

*The City of Hamilton Planning Department and other City agencies, together with the Regional Environment Department, should initiate a review of available sites adjacent to the downtown, suitable for the creation of a neo-traditional neighbourhood, in conjunction with groups such as the Hamilton-Halton Homebuilders and the Hamilton Society of Architects. Plans should be developed for completing all necessary environmental, legal and planning approvals before the end of 1997.*

### TURNING SOUND DREAMS INTO WORKABLE SCHEMES

#### 20.0 Governing structures

20.1 There is a tendency, which is not limited to public-sector organizations, to move from diagnosis to implementing structure, and to leave the design and content of the response to the new structure. But as in business and government, form should follow function, and the strategic and economical use of volunteer time and professional talents should guide the decision to create new or reformed organizational structures. It appears



that we may have lost sight of this basic principle in our eagerness to see action taken on Downtown.

20.2 – For several years, the various BIAs and more recently the Founding Board of the GHDCDC have consumed a considerable volume of volunteer hours and staff time, endeavouring to identify the problems facing downtown, and finding practical solutions to them. But the public perception is that there are a lot of organizations, ranging from the Region (Economic Development, Chairman's Office, Transportation, Regional Police Service) and the City (Planning, the Mayor's Office, Parking, Traffic, HECFI, Historical Board) to the Renaissance Project, the BIAs and the Chamber of Commerce, who have been looking at elements of the problems facing Downtown, from various perspectives. The public perception is that we have lots of people looking at the problem, but the problem persists. We must avoid giving the impression to our increasingly impatient Regional Community, that our ultimate solution for the problems of the Region's heart is to create yet another structure, replete with a new set of committees and subcommittees.

20.3 The legislation that gave rise to the community development corporation initiative was passed as something of a "leap of faith" by the previous Ontario Government, but little of that initiative remains. The funding for venture capital initiatives has been spotty and its overall impact a disappointment. Where they have shown any promise at all, and that has not been very common, development corporations appear to have evolved into either economic development corporations or essentially BIAs with a wider range of stakeholders. While the Interim Founding Board has laid the groundwork for the revitalization of the Downtown over the past year, by clarifying the issues and offering possible areas for action, it seems unlikely that a conventional Community Development Corporation can achieve the plan of action outlined in this report, should it be approved, and it would be unfair to ask those involved to attempt the effort with so little prospect of success using the community development corporation vehicle.

20.4 Most of those with an interest in the Downtown, both direct "stakeholders" and concerned citizens, come to the subject representing organizations and firms with a demonstrated interest in the Downtown and the broader community. It seems inefficient and wasteful of existing resources and time to overlay a new, fully elaborated structure on these individuals and to require their organizations and firms to relate to it. It would seem more practical and efficient simply to recruit these organizations, individuals and firms to address those elements of the problem where their time, talents and resources can be best employed. To the extent that the Downtown initiative requires guidance at arm's length from "City Hall" and the Regional Municipality, that can be achieved by a small, leadership-oriented body, focusing on strategic initiatives and using their influence to enlist established groups and individuals to address elements of the tasks at hand.



## DOWNTOWN PARTNERSHIP STRATEGY: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

### FROM ANALYSIS TO ACTION...

The Downtown Partnership Strategy document, entitled "*Strong Medicine...A Prescription for the Heart of Hamilton-Wentworth*", attempts to combine the findings and directions of the "Founding Board" of the proposed Greater Hamilton Downtown Community Development Corporation with experiences and proposals drawn from complementary sources. The Founding Board was created by Hamilton-Wentworth Regional Council and Hamilton City Council to enlist downtown residents, business-people and other stakeholders in an effort to develop a multi-faceted strategy to revitalize Hamilton's Downtown. At the time it was established, it was anticipated that the Founding Board would sponsor the establishment of a community development corporation under legislation passed and funded by the previous Ontario Government.

The Downtown Partnership Strategy proposes to act on the ideas of the Founding Board, but it proposes a new approach to achieving the results targeted by the members of the Founding Board.

The Downtown Partnership Strategy suggests that the Founding Board should not proceed with the creation of a community development corporation, since the funding for such initiatives has been discontinued and the format has proved cumbersome for those involved. In its place, the Strategy proposes the establishment of a *Downtown Hamilton Partnership*, a small group of leaders of business, government and the community at large, who would set broad, strategic direction for Downtown initiatives, but whose work would be done through existing organizations and special task groups created to achieve specific results, in most cases involving the current members of the Founding Board. (sections 20.1 through 20.7, and Action Step #16)

### EXAMINING THE ISSUES...

The Downtown Partnership Strategy examines the major issues facing Downtown in a new, and occasionally provocative way, under such headings as:

*Are taxes too high and punitive?*  
*Is the Downtown safe?*  
*Is Downtown a place to go through, or to?*  
*Are heritage properties an asset or a burden?*  
*Is parking too expensive and over-policed?*  
*What do we do about vacant lots and vacant stores?*  
*Do we need more megaprojects?*  
*Can Downtown attract residents of all income groups?*  
*Does Downtown retailing have a future?*

(sections 2.0 through 12.0)



## A LIST OF PRACTICAL MEASURES...

In answering these questions, the Downtown Partnership Strategy suggests a multi-faceted approach, based on the work of the Founding Board and conclusions drawn from other sources, including the Architects' Society Charette and the experiences of other centres facing similar issues. Nineteen specific "Action Steps" and a number of additional measures are proposed, including some preliminary suggestions on the organizations, groups and individuals who might undertake these assignments.

Among the actions proposed by the Downtown Partnership Strategy are these:

1. Boost the distinctive retail and day-trip profile of Downtown by targeted recruiting one or more major US retailers without a significant presence in Ontario, and enlist municipal leaders in that effort. (*sections 12.1, 12.2; Action Step #1*)
2. Work with landlords to create redevelopment proposals for existing properties, aimed at providing facilities for design studios, computer software firms, artists studios and "loft" apartments. (*sections 13.1, 13.2; Action Step #2*)
3. Create a public-sector fibre-optic cable wide-area communications network focused on the Downtown in 1997, to demonstrate that Hamilton makes a good location for communications-based businesses, such as call centres and commercial "back office" functions. (*section 13.3; Action Step #3*)
4. Promote Downtown Hamilton as an excellent location for national and regional association headquarters; by specifically targeting the national trade association of those organizations. (*section 13.4; Action Step #4*)
5. Make parking lots part of the solution to the problems of Downtown, not one of its major symptoms. Combine licensing and redevelopment incentives for commercial parking lots to promote their early redevelopment and to discourage further demolitions leading to more vacant parking lots. (*sections 14.1, 14.2; Action Step #5*)
6. "Take the side" of the retailers and the hospitality industry in tax assessment matters. Use the resources of the municipalities to support the efforts of retail and hospitality businesses to reduce their property tax obligations, including assessment appeals. (*section 14.3; Action Step #6*)
7. Expand the range of tax-exemptions for public and cultural institutions, to promote their continued ability to operate economically Downtown. (*section 14.4; Action Step #7*)
8. Work with landlords to recruit short-term commercial tenants to vacant properties, especially those with street-exposure. (*section 14.5*)
9. Sponsor block-by-block business meetings of in-town and out-of-town landlords,



and with the Hamilton Parking Authority, with a view to stimulating redevelopment proposals on underutilized sites throughout the Downtown. (*section 14.5*)

10. Over the next twelve months, "option" four or five properties with a high redevelopment priority for the Downtown, and prepare investment prospectuses for presentation to identified potential investors. The investment prospectuses would highlight commercially attractive features, such as a commitment to include Regional Municipality office space, to relax parking requirements, and so on. (*sections 15.1, 15.2, 15.3, 16.1; Action Step #8*)

11. Improve the physical/pedestrian links between key areas of Downtown: between Hess Village and the Convention Centre; between James Street North and the Eaton Centre area; and, between Theatre Aquarius/Broadway and King Street East. (*sections 6.2, 16.3; Action Step #9*)

12. Develop plans to "open up" Summers Lane, the Eaton Centre and Jackson Square, each of which lacks much the positive street-level presence on which Downtown vitality depends. (*sections 6.3, 16.4, 16.5; Action Step #9*)

13. Move ahead with the commitment to locate the headquarters of the Philip group of companies in Downtown. (*section 16.6; Action Step #9*)

14. Explore a limited two-directional street system for King Street between Ferguson and Queen, and examine the potential for generating more customer traffic by making James Street North a northbound, rather than southbound, street. (*section 6.4, 17.1, 17.2; Action Step #10*)

15. Consider a distinctive, no-charge Downtown "beltway" shuttle bus, modelled on the experience of Denver. (*section 17.3; Action Step #10*)

16. Revive proposals for a light-rapid transit facility to connect the Downtown with the Harbour and the Mountain, and view it as a development vehicle, not solely a transit measure. (*section 17.4; Action Step #10*)

17. Negotiate a Downtown transit pass for McMaster and Mohawk students, as part of their annual "activity fee". (*section 17.6; Action Step #10*)

18. Consider closure of some portion of the south "leg" of King Street East, between James and Hughson, to create a pedestrian concourse. (*section 17.7; Action Step #10*)

19. Authorize universal "no charge" 3-hour parking in all or most municipal lots, to be effective for the 1996 Holiday season. (*sections 8.4, 8.5, 8.6, 17.8; Action Step #11*)

20. Define the Downtown as a separate "neighbourhood" for land-use planning purposes. (*sections 18.1, 20.8; Action Step #17*)



21. Heritage preservation should focus on creative re-use and facade preservation, rather than simply preventing demolition or acquisition of buildings by public authorities. *(sections 7.1, 7.3, 18.3)*
22. Main Street should be developed as Hamilton-Wentworth's institutional address, including extensive floral plantings and decorative street hardware, and the elimination of portable and oversized signage wherever possible. *(section 18.2)*
23. As a lever to redevelopment, Regional Municipality office space should be relocated to strategic downtown locations wherever feasible, on an aggressive timetable. If appropriate, the decision to relocate the Region's headquarters to the Court House should be reconsidered, especially if a major new corporate or institutional entity could be recruited to Downtown by leasing that property. *(sections 18.4, 18.8; Action Step #12)*
24. Consideration should be given to proposals developed at the Architects' Charette for the redevelopment of the interior of lots on streets parallel to major arteries, such as King William. *(section 18.5)*
25. Promote the consolidation of southern Ontario Federal and Provincial regional or field operations into the Ellen Fairclough Building as Regional Municipality tenants vacate. *(section 18.8)*
26. Develop strategic alliances for the marketing of Downtown entertainment and cultural assets, both within the community, and beyond to Southern Ontario and Western New York, with special emphasis on profitability and external tourist market potential. *(section 19.1)*
27. Encourage the Art Gallery to initiate a major reservation-ticket exhibition with commercial marketing potential. *(section 19.2; Action Step #13)*
28. Prepare a new NHL franchise proposal, based on the concept of creating a Second Division NHL group of teams. *(section 19.3; Action Step #14)*
29. Limit any public investment in "destination attractions" to modernizing existing assets and to limited-exposure joint ventures with adequately funded commercial sponsors. *(sections 11.5, 19.4)*
30. Explore with the Hamilton Halton Homebuilders, the possibility of expanding their recent initiative into the creation of a full-scale neo-traditional neighbourhood on underutilized lands adjacent to the Downtown. *(sections 19.5, 19.6, 19.7; Action Step #15)*
31. Hire a Downtown Co-ordinator with responsibility to follow-up on the actions outlined in the Downtown Partnership Strategy and the directions of the Downtown Partnership, once established. The Co-ordinator would be a full-time advocate for the Downtown, operating at arm's length from municipal authorities, but with the support of



municipal resources. The Co-ordinator would bring commercial real estate, architectural design and marketing skills to his or her task. (sections 20.6, 20.10, 20.11; Action Steps #2, #18)

32. Municipalities should use exemptions or waivers of fees/conditions strategically, as redevelopment negotiating tools or to promote targeted activity. Since undistinguished blanket exemptions apply equally to desirable developments, to "undesirable" developments and to developments that would have occurred in any event, they leave little further scope for municipalities governed by "no bonusing" limitations. While good for marketing purposes, further blanket exemptions should be carefully evaluated before they are undertaken. (sections 20.12, 20.13)

33. Create a separate Downtown current and capital budget within the overall budgets of the Regional Municipality and the City of Hamilton, in order to allow priorities to be established and work to be more effectively co-ordinated. For 1997, municipal budgets should invest significantly in a continuation of the successful floral program within the Downtown, and to target street-scape and boulevard improvements in strategic locations in and around the Downtown. (section 20.14; Action Steps #19)

- 1.0 Introduction
  - 1.1 Downtown as a political priority
  - 1.2 Stakeholders recruited
  - 1.3 Need for new approach
- 2.0 History and trends
  - 2.1 Impact of economic and social change
  - 2.2 New role for downtowns
  - 2.3 Trends favouring downtown
  - 2.4 Commercial trends: convenience, information
  - 2.5 Changing demographics favour Downtown
  - 2.6 Purposes of Downtown Partnership Strategy
  - 2.7 Progress to date by City of Hamilton and others
- 3.0 Are taxes too high?
  - 3.1 Taxes are "too high"
  - 3.2 Other business cost factors
  - 3.3 Limited benefits of "fairer" taxation
- 4.1 Are downtown taxes punitive?
  - 4.2 Impact of commercial vacancies on taxation
  - 4.3 Impact of demolition on taxation
  - 4.4 Public-sector uses and taxation
  - 4.5 Inequities in public-sector assessment
- 5.0 Is the Downtown safe?
  - 5.1 Impact of "undesirable element"
  - 5.2 Impact of increased activity
  - 5.3 Impact of physical improvements
  - 5.4 More people means more safety
- 6.0 Destination or thoroughfare?
  - 6.1 Efficiency of one-way streets
  - 6.2 Commercial impact of one-way streets
  - 6.3 The King Street "tunnel"
  - 6.4 Other one-directional street systems
- 7.0 Heritage
  - 7.1 Impact of heritage
  - 7.2 Gore Park
  - 7.3 Facade preservation
- 8.0 Parking
  - 8.1 Parking and revitalization
  - 8.2 Convenience and cost



- 8.3 Parking enforcement
- 8.4 Parking limits
- 8.5 Employee parking
- 8.6 Realistic parking time-limits

- 9.0 The vacant lot problem
- 9.1 Too many vacant lots
- 9.2 Encouraging occupancy and redevelopment
- 9.3 The large area of Downtown
- 9.4 The boundaries of Downtown
- 9.5 Integrating the districts of Downtown
- 9.6 Multiculturalism Downtown
- 9.7 Establishing physical linkages
- 9.8 Creating pedestrian corridors
- 9.9 Stagnant development parcels
- 9.10 Market-sensitive development opportunities

- 10.0 Mega-projects
- 10.1 Disappointing results of public projects
- 10.2 Maximizing the impact of public assets
- 10.3 Using leverage to generate investment
- 10.4 Supporting private-sector investment

- 11.0 Bringing people Downtown
- 11.1 Building on the existing "neighbourhood"
- 11.2 Boosterism doesn't work
- 11.3 Lack of social diversity
- 11.4 Social diversity and economic health
- 11.5 Increasing the resident population

- 12.0 Retailing
- 12.1 Accepting and using retail trends
- 12.2 Day-trips and US tourism market

#### Action Step #1

- 13.0 Commercial properties
- 13.1 Modernizing Downtown commercial space
- 13.2 Potential Downtown "industries"

#### Action Step #2

- 13.3 Fibre-optics

#### Action Step #3

- 13.4 Association headquarters and "back offices"

#### Action Step #4

14.0 Commercial property redevelopment  
14.1 Changing the economics of decay  
14.2 Parking lot licensing and redevelopment  
Action Step #5  
14.3 "Switching sides" on tax appeals  
Action Step #6  
14.4 Tax exemptions for public uses  
Action Step #7  
14.5 Promoting short-term leases and land assemblies  
Action Step #8

15.0 Housing  
15.1 Boosting the resident population  
15.2 Housing suited to the Downtown economy  
15.3 New role for City Housing Corporation  
Action Step #9

16.0 Strategic Redevelopment  
16.1 Targeting development sites  
16.2 Downtown/Waterfront transportation links  
16.3 Three pedestrian links to downtown  
16.4 Opening-up Summers Lane  
16.5 Opening-up Jackson Square and Eaton Centre  
16.6 Philip Environmental offices  
Action Step #10

17.0 Transportation  
17.1 One-way streets  
17.2 King Street and James Street  
17.3 "Free-transit" beltway  
17.4 LRT/funicular study  
17.5 Dedicated bus lanes  
17.6 Student "downtown" transit passes  
Action Step #10  
17.7 King Street "south leg" pedestrian concourse  
17.8 3-hour free off-street parking  
Action Step #11

18.0 Land-use planning & design controls  
18.1 Designating Downtown a neighbourhood  
18.2 Main Street as institutional address  
18.3 Facade preservation  
18.4 Rethinking Regional Office relocation plans  
Action Step #12  
18.5 Second-tier street redevelopment



- 18.6 Downtown as a "mall"
- 18.7 Using Charette design ideas
- 18.8 Replacing regional offices with Federal/Provincial
  
- 19.0 Strategic Initiatives
- 19.1 Making best use of cultural facilities
- 19.2 Art Gallery potential
- Action Step #13
- 19.3 NHL franchise
- Action Step #14
- 19.4 Public support for new initiatives
- 19.5 An innovative housing project
- 19.6 Learning from the Homebuilders
- 19.7 Building a neo-traditional neighbourhood
- Action Step #15
  
- 20.0 Governing structures
- 20.1 Appropriate structure
- 20.2 Importance of efficient structure
- 20.3 Shortcomings of community development corporation
- 20.4 Working through other organizations
- 20.5 A Downtown Partnership
- 20.6 Structure of the Partnership
- 20.7 Community development corporation option
- Action Step #16
- 20.8 Creating Downtown Neighbourhood Plan
- Action Step #17
- 20.9 Housing Corporation "optioning" lands
- 20.10 Downtown Co-ordinator
- 20.11 Downtown Co-ordinator function
- Action Step #18
- 20.12 Focusing municipal priorities
- 20.13 Being businesslike and selective with concessions
- 20.14 Separate Downtown Budgets
- Action Step #19



**"STRONG MEDICINE" - SUMMARY OF ACTIONS**

| ACTION # | SUMMARY DESCRIPTION •                                                                                         | RESPONSIBILITY ••                                                                                                     | MEASUREMENT OF SERVICES                                                                               | PRIORITY (to be determined) |
|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1        | Attract key US "niche" retailers                                                                              | Regional and City CAOs, Regional Chairman, Mayor, and Economic Development                                            | Opening of a key "niche" retailer downtown by January 1/98.                                           |                             |
| 2        | Prepare plans for renovation of key vacant buildings                                                          | Development Co-ordinator (interim Economic Development), Hamilton Society of Architects, and City Planning Department | Presentation of renderings to building owners.                                                        |                             |
| 3        | Improve fibre-optics opportunities in the downtown                                                            | Regional and City CAO's                                                                                               | Downtown network infrastructure by Sept./98                                                           |                             |
| 4        | Canadian Society of Association Executive Convention in Hamilton                                              | Economic Development and HECFI                                                                                        | 1997 Convention in Hamilton                                                                           |                             |
| 5        | Develop a commercial parking lot licensing by-law                                                             | Regional Chairman, Parking Authority, City Council                                                                    | Improved vacant lots and reduced demolition for new lots.                                             |                             |
| 6        | A "one-stop shopping" concept for dealing with tax and assessment issues and general development information. | Economic Development, Regional Finance Services and City Treasury, Planning, Building, and Public Works Departments   | Reduced business and property tax requirements, successful assessment appeals                         |                             |
| 7        | Property Tax Exemptions for municipal and quasi-municipal uses.                                               | Regional Financial Services and City Treasury Departments                                                             | Exemptions to key properties. Movement of municipal programs/offices into vacant commercial buildings |                             |
| 8        | City Housing option and development prospectus for key downtown properties.                                   | City of Hamilton Municipal Non-Profit Housing Corporation                                                             | The development of key site(s) for housing                                                            |                             |
| 9        | Implementation of "strategic initiatives" identified in the downtown charter.                                 | Economic Development, HECFI, and Hamilton Society of Architects                                                       | Implementation of various "strategic initiatives" in the downtown                                     |                             |
| 10       | Implementation of "transportation" initiatives with the aim of creating a more "people friendly" environment. | Regional Transportation and City Public Works Departments                                                             | Improved environment for pedestrians and transit                                                      |                             |



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| 11 | New parking requirements                                                 | Parking Authority and Regional Transportation Department  | A universal free 3 hour off-street municipal parking charge (by Nov. 1/96). Expanded on-street parking at a rate of one dollar per hour, maximum of 3 hours. |  |
| 12 | Relocation of Regional offices to the Downtown                           | Office of Region / Facilities Management (Regional Clerk) | The development and/or redevelopment of key properties to accommodate Regional offices.                                                                      |  |
| 13 | Mass-market the Art Gallery                                              | Regional and City CAOs, Director of the Art Gallery       | A 1997 major exhibition.                                                                                                                                     |  |
| 14 | Proposal for a "second division" NHL                                     | HECFL, Mayor supported by Economic Development            | Formal presentation to NHL Board of Governors in 1997                                                                                                        |  |
| 15 | "Neo-traditional" development in neighbourhood surrounding the downtown. | City Planning and Development Department                  | Suitable plans and proposals for new development for key sites in the surrounding downtown neighbourhoods and on the Waterfront by the end of 1997.          |  |
| 16 | Establishment of a "Downtown Partnership"                                | Regional and City CAOs and Economic Development           | Report to City and Regional Councils recommending "Downtown Partnership" before end of October                                                               |  |
| 17 | Downtown Hamilton Secondary Plan                                         | City Planning and Development Department                  | Inclusion in 1997 Work Program and completion in 1998.                                                                                                       |  |
| 18 | Engage a Downtown Co-ordinator                                           | Region and City CAOs                                      | Establish position and necessary funds in 1997                                                                                                               |  |
| 19 | Include funding for initiatives in Current and Capital Budgets           | Financial Services and City Treasury Departments          | 1997 Funding for Downtown - Co-ordinator, related costs and capital improvements.                                                                            |  |

Various actions address the live, work, shop and visit the downtown mission set by the GHDCDC Founding Board at its Facilitation Day.

All of these actions will fall within the mandate of the to be hired Downtown Co-ordinator with the support of key City and/or Regional staff and the private sector, as required.





## CONCLUSION

In celebrating the City of Hamilton's Sesquicentennial Birthday, the Hamilton Society of Architects unanimously agreed the most appropriate gift we could present our city with would be in the area we, as a group of professionals, excel in - namely - in the understanding of how and why cities work.

The purpose of the "Downtown Ideas Charrette" was to bring an understanding to the public why our downtown is in such decline and what steps can be taken to bring a new sustainable life to downtown Hamilton. Public awareness of the issues and solutions are critical to the revitalization of our city-centre, as the main ingredient to the solution is the public's incentive to bring back our city-centre as the heart of our community, reflecting our energy, vibrancy, aspirations and entrepreneurial spirit.

What follows is list of recommendations collected and summarized from the 5 teams by the Charrette Organizing Committee. If these recommendations are realized we as a community can be very hopeful that our "heart" may once again beat with some certainty.

- 1 Lobby the provincial government for re-evaluation of downtown as a special enterprise zone with property assessment policies on either a market value, actual value or unit value tax assessment base.
- 2 Focus on attracting new growth and small scale manufacturing industries to downtown Hamilton (regional wineries, biomedical firms, telecommunications industries, etc.).
- 3 Create a "Hamilton Downtown Facilitator" position with an urban design/architectural background operating at arm's length from government bodies responsible for:
  - Promoting development opportunities,
  - Recruiting tenants,
  - Facilitating and encouraging development permit applications,
  - Encouraging site regeneration vs. demolition,
  - Generating and maintaining an inventory of available space,
  - Matching occupancy opportunities with available space,
  - Coordinating event based promotions,
  - Coordinating and managing marketing promotions, etc.
- 4 Market downtown as a dynamic, environmentally clean and convenient live/work environment focussing on growth/redevelopment potential and telecommunications strength.



## Where Do We Go From Here?

It is imperative that public interest and involvement in the issues and solutions raised by this Charrette be maintained through media attention, public education, community debates and forums. Action must be centred in the private and community sectors in order to spur political action. It is our responsibility as a community to ensure the realization of a thriving and prosperous city centre.

The continuation of the relationships established by the Charrette between the Hamilton Society of Architects, the Downtown Business Community, the Construction Association, the Development Industry and the community is paramount to the successful implementation of these recommendations. It is recommended that the revised Downtown Community Development Corporation seek representation from these groups. It is also recommended that a tradition of yearly design charrettes or competitions be established with focus on specific problem solving exercises such as infill housing, open space networks, marketing strategies, development incentives, etc.

Two groups of citizens have formed committees to follow and promote charrette issues. If you would like to be involved please contact

Open Spaces Committee - John Kenyon 522-5631

Two-way Streets Committee - Frank D'Amico 546-2712



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# Core lacks big players

## Downtown Hamilton needs more residents

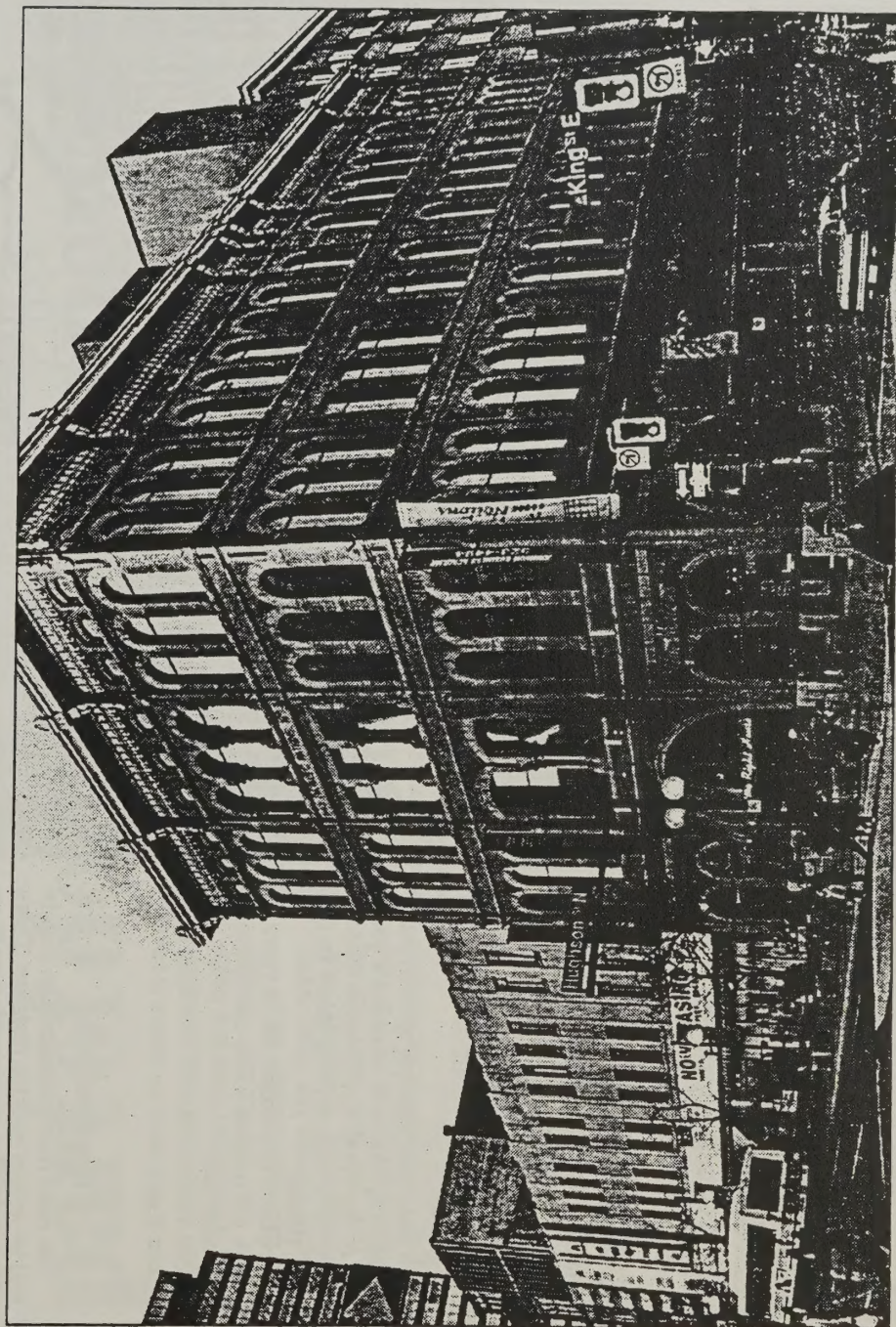
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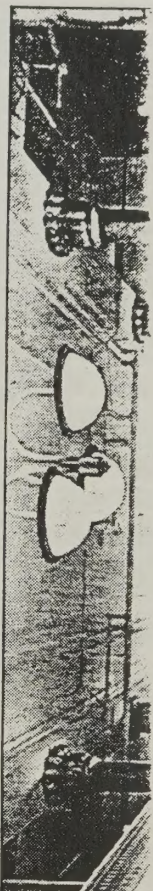
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The discrepancy is neither surprising nor particularly alarming, said Ed Fothergill, a member of the Greater Hamilton Downtown Community Development Corp.

"You need more people downtown before you can get more retail," said Mr. Fothergill of Fothergill Planning and Development Inc.

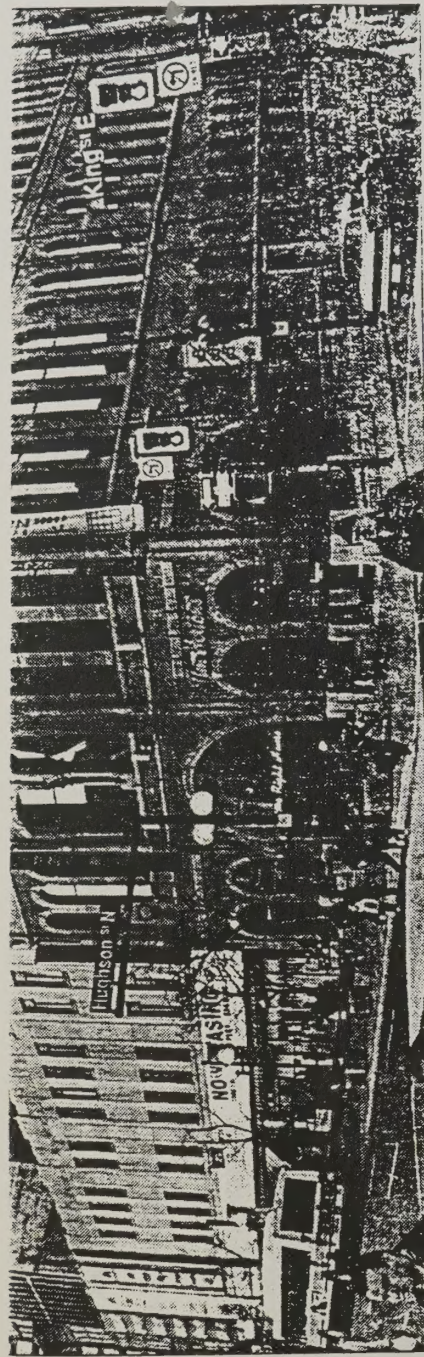
"Retailers can't survive downtown at the moment because of the competition from the suburban shopping centres," he said.

"The key is to get more people living and working downtown. That will drive the retail."

The Aragon Group, the development company which has successfully refurbished the Right House building on King Street East and has similar plans for the nearby Woolworth's building, has long heeded the message.

Aragon's strategy relies on renting space to service-oriented businesses and professional offices, not retail stores.

The Right House building's previous owners failed in their attempts to transform the property into an upscale shopping arcade known as Park Place. A major investment to attract retail tenants is viable under existing conditions, said Kathy Wiegand.



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"To be realistic, we can get more high-end tenants among service firms and professionals."

But until more people are attracted downtown, business remains a question of survival, said Joseph Callea, owner of a hair styling salon in the Right House.

"I've been downtown for 30 years so you've got to have some confidence," Mr. Callea said.

"But I believe it will be a long time before it gets back to where it used to be."

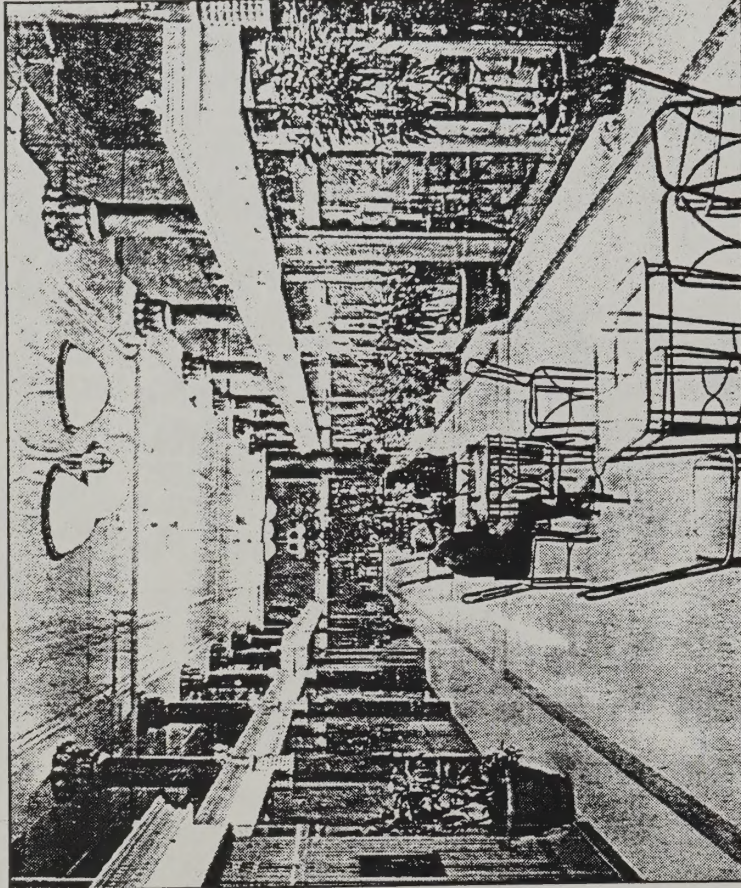
## Need residents

"We need more residents so people will be within walking distance. There was a time when you couldn't walk on the sidewalks because of all the people coming out of the offices."

Despite the absence of retail development today, emerging trends may help turn the table, said Nick Catalano, Hamilton-Wentworth's economic development director.

"In the late 80s and early 90s, we developed the mentality among retailers and consumers that bigger was better," Mr. Catalano said.

"But the trend is being offset to a limited degree in downtown sectors that redefine their identities as independent communities."



Interior of Right House shows what Aragon Group has done.

Ted Brellisford, The Spectator

Although downtown areas cannot compete with suburban malls for shoppers, they can develop residential populations — about 40,000 people, in Hamilton's case — that will create a new retail mix of shops to serve residents and office workers.

"But it will take a number of years to put a kind of structure together," Mr. Catalano said.

He said a key to this vision could be the proposal by the Hamilton-Halton Homebuilders Association to develop up to 20 properties within the core to create such a mix of residences, studio lofts, cafes and speciality stores.

The city and regional councils have approved spending \$180,000 to investigate the viability of the scheme.



# Banks big part of downtown renewal

By PAUL MITCHELL  
The Spectator  
HAMILTON

More good news appears to be coming to Hamilton's beleaguered downtown core.

Developments being considered, or in the works, continue to emerge. Among the latest proposals:

- Conversion of the former Woolworth store on King Street East to accommodate professional and service-oriented businesses.
- Renovations, or a completely new building, for the Royal Bank.
- Expansion or a new location for the YMCA of Hamilton-Burlington.

The proposals come on the heels of news that the Bank of Montreal may construct a new building at Main and

Bay streets; the former Park Business College on King Street East is a high-tech disco; and the former Kresge building will become a big go hall.

The Aragon Group, the Vancouver-based development company that breathed new life into the troubled Right House building on King Street East, may do the same for the former Woolworth store next door.

The company has made an offer to purchase the three-storey building at 19-31 King St. E. and plans to transform the upper two floors into professional offices and subdivide the ground floor to accommodate service-oriented businesses.

"We want to upgrade the space for a higher calibre of tenants like we have done at the Right House," said Carol

Jamieson, Aragon's Ontario general manager.

She said Aragon is already seeking tenants for the unoccupied upper floors, as a condition of its purchase offer. Woolworth's closed its King East doors six years ago and the building, which has become a symbol of downtown deterioration, has since remained vacant, except for a discount store on the ground floor.

The purchase offer is open until mid-December. If it is accepted, the new owners will gut the building and construct an atrium through the middle to provide attractive office space, Ms Jamieson said.

Aragon purchased the Right House building at King and Hughson streets in 1994, after its previous owners failed

to transform it into an upscale shopping arcade known as Park Place.

After a \$175,000 facelift, Aragon changed the building's focus from retail to professional and service-oriented businesses. The property is now fully occupied.

The Woolworth purchase offer follows news that the Bank of Montreal is in the 11th hour of negotiations on a deal for new premises on the southwest corner of Main and Bay streets.

"We're looking for premises that will cover us for the next 20 years and show our confidence in Hamilton," said Don Marr, the bank's regional vice-president.

The Royal Bank is also looking at

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# DOWNTOWN:

## Big plans for core

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upgrading its downtown presence, said Rod Black, manager of the Royal's business banking centre in Hamilton. The Royal wants to centralize various financial services in one location but hasn't yet decided whether to renovate its James Street South building or seek a new facility. An announcement is expected early in the new year.

Meanwhile, the YMCA is completing a study on whether to renovate its 47-year-old building at James and Jackson streets or find a new downtown location, said executive director Scott Haldane. The downtown Y's membership has jumped 20 per cent in the last year to over 3,600. Recommendations are expected to go to the board of directors in March.

While the various proposals are all welcome boosts for Hamilton's core, plans to restore another downtown landmark have been delayed.

A proposal by TransSkills, a training agency, to occupy and renovate the former Spectator building at 115 King St. E. has been delayed, said chief executive officer Linda Moore. The agency, which planned to move to the building last month, has had difficulties lining up partners to create a centre for employer- and employee-related services. "When push came to shove, they couldn't afford to do it at this time. We still want to go ahead but it will take us longer than we originally thought."

■ Major stores missing: D13

See, Core lacks big players



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**- INFORMATION -**

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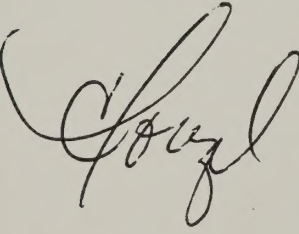
**REPORT TO:** Kevin C. Christenson, Secretary  
Parks and Recreation Committee

**FROM:** Charlene J. Touzel, Secretary  
Hamilton Historical Board

**SUBJECT:** Hamilton Historical Board Minutes - 1996 October 8

**BACKGROUND:**

Attached for the information of the Parks and Recreation Committee are the minutes of the Hamilton Historical Board for its meeting held 1996 October 8 as adopted by the Board on 1996 November 12.



attached

cc Secretary, Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee

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Tuesday, 1996 October 8  
12:00 o'clock noon  
Room 233, City Hall

The Hamilton Historical Board met.

There were present: David Beland, Chairperson  
Walter Peace, Vice-Chairperson  
Alderman William McCulloch  
Alderman Bernie Morelli  
Brian Henley  
Stephen Kostyshyn  
Jack McBurney  
Carolyn McCann  
Joyce Newman  
Victoria Reiding  
Claire Riddell

Regrets: Gordon Birk  
David Cuming

Also present: Marilynn Havelka, Culture and Recreation Department  
Ania Latoszek, Curator, Whitehern  
Charlene Touzel, Secretary

1. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

There were no Chairperson's Remarks made at this time.

2. PRESENTATIONS

a) 1996 McMaster Field School (Dundurn Castle) - John Triggs, Architect

Board Members were advised that this presentation has been tabled to the 1996 November 12 meeting.

b) Restoration of Stone Wall at Whitehern - Ania Latoszek, Curator

The Board agreed to add this presentation to the agenda.

Ania Latoszek, Curator, Whitehern, advised Board Members that two sections of Whitehern's east wall recently broke off and fell onto the adjoining sidewalk. The east wall has been deemed unstable by the City's Building Operations and Maintenance Division and plans are now underway to draft a terms of reference so that an Architect, Stone Mason and Landscape Architect can be hired to restore the wall, mindful of the archaeological components of the project.

A slide presentation was then made highlighting the changes that have been made to the wall over the past twenty-five years.

Marilynn Havelka, Manager, Cultural Services, added that it is hoped that the archaeological components of this project can be completed this fall, with construction on the wall beginning in 1997 April.

On another matter relating to Whitehern, Walter Peace advised Board Members that the Ontario Heritage Plaque at Whitehern is missing. Ania Latoszek indicated that the plaque, currently located in her office, was broken as a result of vandalism and that Staff will raise this issue when meeting with Ontario Heritage Foundation representatives on 1996 October 17.

- b) **Hamilton Children's Museum New Exhibit "Nutty About Nature" - CHCH TV Video Coverage**

CHCH TV video coverage of the Hamilton Children's Museum's new exhibit "Nutty About Nature" was shown for the Board's information.

- c) **Gore Park Fountain and Dundurn Delights Flower Show - CHCH TV Video Coverage**

CHCH TV video coverage of the Gore Park Fountain and the Dundurn Delights Flower Show was shown for the Board's information.

David Beland advised Board Members that the official presentation of the fountain to the City of Hamilton will take place on Saturday, 1996 October 19 at 1:30 p.m. in Gore Park. Board Members were encouraged to attend.

With respect to the Dundurn Delights Flower Show, Marilynn Havelka advised Board Members that this event attracted over 1,000 people to Dundurn Castle. The Board agreed to send a letter to congratulations to the Garden Club of Hamilton for their efforts in organizing such a successful event.

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

The Board was in receipt of the Minutes of the Hamilton Historical Board for its meeting held 1996 September 10. The Minutes were amended as follows:

- a) page 3 - Item 5(c), the word "November" in the last line was replaced with the word "September"; and,
- b) page 5 - Item 7(b), the words "rededication" were changed to "presentation".

The Minutes were adopted as amended.

4. **DIRECTOR, CULTURE AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**Grounds Use Request - Dundurn Park**

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 September 30 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter.

The Board approved the following:

That the following Grounds Use Request for Dundurn Park be approved:

Cyclocross Race (Bicycle Race) - 1996 November 17

5. **DIVISION UPDATE**

- a) **Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology**

Marilynn Havelka reported on the visit of the Director General of Parks Canada to the Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology on 1996 September 23. Photographs of the visit were circulated for the Board's information.

Victoria Reiding added that the Master Plan Committee recently met to review the draft Conservation and Preservation Report for the Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology.



**b) Stables Building - Dundurn Castle**

Marilynn Havelka reported that Staff are finalizing a rental policy and business plan for the Stables Building at Dundurn Castle and indicated that a copy of the final report will be presented to the Board at a future meeting.

**c) 1997 User Fees - City of Hamilton Museums**

The Board was in receipt of a report dated 1996 February 14 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department to the Secretary, Parks and Recreation Committee respecting User Fees and Museum admissions recommended for 1996. Marilyn Havelka advised Board Members that it is doubtful that the admission fees for the five City of Hamilton Museums will increase in 1997 but that Staff are looking at ways of increasing revenues at each of these sites. Board Members with any ideas or comments were asked to contact her in this regard.

**d) Infrastructure Study**

Marilynn Havelka advised Board Members that Staff are finalizing its infrastructure report to provide strategic direction for future capital budgets. Board Members were advised that Staff have focused on, and are preparing capital budget submissions for, the Hamilton Children's Museum, the Stables Building at Dundurn Castle and the 1913 building at the Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology.

**e) Barrier Free Design Modification Study - Cultural Facilities**

The Board was in receipt of a memorandum dated 1996 October 2 from the Manager, Cultural Services, Culture and Recreation Department, respecting the above-noted matter. A report on the Study's findings will be available in 1997 January.

**f) Museum Reports for the Month of 1996 September**

The Board received for information, the following Museum reports for 1996 September:

- a) Whitehern
- b) The Hamilton Children's Museum
- c) The Hamilton Military Museum
- d) Dundurn Castle
- e) Conservator's Report

**6. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS****a) Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee****Gore Park Fountain Plaque**

David Beland advised Board Members that the Gore Park Fountain Plaque will be in place for the 1996 October 19 presentation of the fountain to the City of Hamilton.

**b) Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee****Minutes of Meeting held 1996 July 15 and Award Presentation**

The Board was in receipt of the Minutes of the Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee for its meeting held 1996 July 15. Brian Henley updated the Board on the current issues being dealt with by the Local

Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee including the Gore Heritage Design Study and the presentation of an Ontario Heritage Foundation Heritage Community Recognition Award to Robert Brough, former Committee Member.

c) Arts Advisory Commission

**Hamilton Arts Award**

Claire Riddell advised Board Members that the 1996 Hamilton Arts Award will be presented on 1996 November 2. Board Members were further advised that the criteria and guidelines for the Award are being reviewed and changes are being recommended.

d) Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum

**Executive Committee Minutes and Fundraising Event**

The Committee was in receipt of the Minutes of the Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum Executive Meeting held 1996 August 14.

Carolyn McCann advised Board Members that the Friends of the Hamilton Children's Museum will stage a fundraising event on 1996 October 19.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

a) **Volunteer Service Awards to be Presented to David Beland and Walter Peace**

Marilynn Havelka advised Board Members that in recognition of their five years of service on the Hamilton Historical Board, David Beland and Walter Peace will be presented with Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation Volunteer Service Awards on 1996 October 9 at the Royal Botanical Gardens.

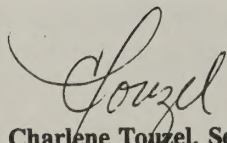
b) **Orientation Sessions - Citizen Member Vacancies**

Marilynn Havelka advised Board Members that there was a good turn out of applicants interested in serving on the Hamilton Historical Board at the Orientation Sessions held 1996 September 30 and October 2. The application deadline is 1996 October 18 and interviews will be conducted by the Selection Committee in early November. David Beland expressed an interest in sitting in on the interviews.

8. ADJOURNMENT

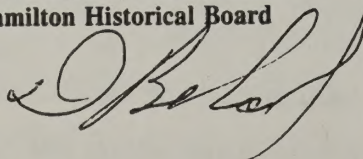
There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

**Taken as read and approved,**



Charlene Touzel, Secretary

David Beland, Chairperson  
Hamilton Historical Board





Monday, 1996 October 21st  
4:00 o'clock p.m.  
Room 233, City Hall

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The Hamilton Sesquicentennial Celebrations Committee met.

There were present:

Vincenza Travale, Co-Chair  
Carmen Rizzotto, Executive Director  
Dr. J. David Richardson  
David McCormack  
Alfred Halbig  
John Johnston  
David Ricketts  
Leslie Pasis  
Daniel Charles  
Sherry Cecil  
Doreen Johnston  
Terry Mote  
Vera Papadopoulos  
Bill McBride  
Marnie Paikin  
Kim Scott, Executive Secretary

Regrets:

Milt Lewis, Co-Chair  
Kay Honda  
Greg Pyc  
Albert Kergl

## **AGENDA**

Daniel Charles began the meeting with an opening reflection.

### **1. Minutes of the meeting held Monday, 1996 August 12th**

The Committee was in receipt of the minutes of its meeting held Monday, 1996 September 9th which were approved as circulated.

### **2. Report of Co-Chairs**

Vincenza Travale welcomed Marnie Paikin, Co-Chair for the Grey Cup Committee, who informed the Committee that everything is in place for this four day festival. Marnie passed around a brochure outlining the events, and a volunteer application form to the Committee, and invited all to become involved with this exciting event for Hamilton. Vincenza thanked Marnie for attending the meeting and indicated that we are all looking forward to the Grey Cup as a great conclusion to our Sesquicentennial year.

### **Interfaith Thanksgiving Celebration**

Vincenza Travale reported that this event was spectacular, and one of the great moments of Sesqui, involving an incredible representation of the diversity of people in our Community. Vincenza noted that Sesqui would like to speak with the Mayor about making this an annual event. She also thanked Dr. Johnston and the Interfaith Committee for all their efforts. Dr. John Johnston thanked the Sesqui Staff for their assistance in making this event such a success.

### **Steel City Oktoberfest**

Vincenza told the Committee that this event was a great success. Alfred Halbig thanked the Sesqui Staff for their promotional help.

### **"In The Shadow Of Giants: The Story of the TH&B Railway"**

Vincenza reported that the launch for this excellent book was wonderful.

### **Walk for Juvenile Diabetes**

Vincenza informed the Committee that the Sesqui Team -- Milt Lewis, Vincenza, Carmen Rizzotto, Kim Scott, and team captain Sesqui the Mascot -- completed the 10 km walk for Juvenile Diabetes.

### **Solisti Aguilari**

Vincenza reported that this event was a great success.

### **Hamilton Farmer's Market Celebration**

Vincenza reported that this event was an enthusiastic celebration, and invited the Committee to view the ten pictorials of the market, and the Sesqui Logo in stained glass. Vincenza thanked Brian Hinkley and the Market Celebrations Committee for all their hard work.

### **Gore Park Fountain**

Vincenza told the Committee that this event was a wonderful celebration. She said that the turning on of the new fountain was an emotional moment for anyone who remembers the old fountain.



### **MACFEST - McMaster University Open House**

Vincenza reported that this was a successful event. Sherry Cecil told the Committee that the event had a good turnout. Sherry also informed the Committee that proceeds from the Jack MacDonald Dinner, \$15,000 for a bursary fund for students, has been matched by the Government, making \$30,000. Vincenza thanked McMaster and Sherry for their involvement with Sesqui.

### **Sesqui Super Home on Paradise Lottery**

Vincenza distributed the Showcase Magazine that highlights the various features and sponsors of the Home. Vincenza reported that the Lottery has already broken even, and that every dollar that comes in from now until the end of the Lottery will go back to the Community.

### **Sesqui Public Speaking Festival**

Vincenza told the Committee that the finals and award ceremony for this event will take place on Sunday, October 27th at the Studio Theatre. Les Pasis commented on the success of this event so far, and distributed the program for the October 27th event. Les invited all to attend.

### **Rick Hansen Dinner**

Vincenza informed the Committee that this event will take place on November 7th, and is sponsored by Rotary - Mountain Sunrise.

### **Ontario Workers Arts & Heritage Centre**

Vincenza told the Committee that the Grand Opening of the Centre takes place on November 8th, and invited all to attend.

### **Veterans Appreciation**

Bill McBride informed the Committee that plans for a two day celebration are being made for Military Units and Core Veterans. On November 10th, at 10:00 am, a Garrison Parade will occur at 10:00, followed by a stage show at the Armouries. On November 11th, at 11:00 am, the Cenotaph will be rededicated to War Veterans, followed by a luncheon at the Royal Connaught. Bill invited the Committee to attend these events.

### **First Night '97**

Vincenza told the Committee that Sesqui will end the same way it began -- with First Night. Vincenza invited the Committee to spend New Year's Eve in Downtown Hamilton for this event.

Vincenza informed the Committee that the November meeting has been cancelled. The final Sesqui meeting will be held on December 9th, 1996, as a pre-Christmas celebration for the Committee.

### **3. Executive Director Report**

#### **Sesqui Commemorative Book**

Carmen informed the Committee that the book, having a retail value of \$34.95 + GST, is available to the Committee for \$20.00 as a gesture of gratitude. Carmen invited the Committee to submit any promotional ideas for fundraising for the book. Sherry Cecil suggested McMaster's bookstore, and Les Pasis suggested Mohawk College bookstore.

#### **Sesqui Commemorative Coin**

Carmen passed around a pamphlet for the Coin, and reminded the Committee that the Coin Set, available at financial institutions for \$4.00, would be a great Stocking Stuffer.

### **4. Committee Reports**

#### **Hamilton Board of Education**

Dr. John Johnston reported that the Hamilton Board of Education had a great Sesqui year, involving Hamilton's Birthday in its curriculum.

#### **Mohawk College**

Terry Mote invited the Committee to attend the College's Open House on November 15th.

#### **Hamilton East 7th Day Adventist Church**

Doreen Johnston invited the Committee to a Community Open House celebrating Sesqui on November 30th at 11:00 am.



5. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

Vincenza Travale, Co-Chair  
Hamilton Sesquicentennial Committee

Milton Lewis, Co-Chair  
Hamilton Sesquicentennial Committee

Kim Scott  
Executive Secretary  
1996 October 21st

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3. The third step is to implement the plan. This involves putting the plan into action and providing support and guidance to the client throughout the process. It is important to monitor progress and to make adjustments as needed.

4. The fourth step is to evaluate the results. This involves assessing the effectiveness of the intervention and determining whether the goals have been achieved. It is important to involve the client in this process to ensure that the evaluation is fair and accurate.

5. The fifth step is to provide feedback to the client. This involves discussing the results of the evaluation with the client and providing advice on how to improve the situation. It is important to be honest and supportive in this process.

6. The sixth step is to provide ongoing support. This involves continuing to provide guidance and support to the client as they work to improve the situation. It is important to be available and responsive to the client's needs.

7. The seventh step is to provide a final report. This involves summarizing the findings of the evaluation and providing recommendations for future action. It is important to be clear and concise in this report.

8. The eighth step is to provide a final follow-up. This involves checking in with the client to ensure that they are still working on the situation and that they are satisfied with the results.

9. The ninth step is to provide a final evaluation. This involves assessing the overall effectiveness of the intervention and determining whether the goals have been achieved.

10. The tenth step is to provide a final report. This involves summarizing the findings of the evaluation and providing recommendations for future action.



**MINUTES**  
**SECOND REGIONAL MEETING OF**  
**HAMILTON-WENTWORTH LACACs**  
**October 26, 1996**  
**Chestnut Grove, Waterdown**

|             |                                                             |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| ANCASTER    | John Nielson                                                |
| DUNDAS      | Steve DeLottinville<br>Mary Kramer                          |
| HAMILTON    | Nina Chapple                                                |
| FLAMBOROUGH | Sylvia Wray<br>Frank Evans<br>Richard Court<br>Leah Wallace |

**SESSION 1**

**Genesis and Accomplishments of the Niagara Regional LACAC**

- . guest speaker Mr. Thomas Salter, Chairman of Niagara Regional LACAC, sparked a lively discussion and espoused some provocative ideas
- . gave overview of accomplishments of the NRLACAC including:
  - . fact that NRLACAC has no legal authority but works through discussion and persuasion
  - . gives assistance for designations in areas where there is no LACAC
  - . heritage easement for Lundy's Lane
  - . workshops paid for with corporate sponsorship
  - . Heritage 911 service - ability for Niagara LACACs to marshal forces at a Regional level to deal with crises in local municipalities - go to each others aid - strength in numbers

## SESSION 2

### Using Electronic Media to Catalogue Heritage Buildings

· began with a general discussion of electronic systems which are available for cataloguing using computers including HAAS, which was developed in Cambridge and the database system being developed in Waterloo

· need to make our materials available to the public, libraries and educational institutions if heritage preservation is to survive in Canada

· demo of ARCHINET system for cataloguing buildings which utilizes Internet and CD-ROM technology

· demo sparked a discussion of the origins of the Internet and the pros and cons of using CD-ROM technology for cataloguing structures

· everyone generally acknowledged the need to computerize inventories to make them more accessible for both members of heritage committees and the general public

· Ancaster wants to digitize its materials and Dundas and Flamborough are looking into CD-ROM technology

## SESSION 3

### Creation of Regional List of Restorations Specialists

· general agreement that this was a good idea

· decision that each municipality would provide a list of tradespeople and specialists to Steve DeLottinville who will be developing a catalogue using special computer software

· a suggestion for compiling individual lists comes from Dundas:

· develop a questionnaire to be sent to all designated property owners asking who had worked on their properties and whether they were satisfied with the work done  
· this questionnaire would get designated property owners involved and would help develop a broad list of tradespeople to be included in the Regional list



also suggestion that the Regional list should contain a disclaimer regarding those workers included on the list - the LACACs are not responsible if there is a problem with workmanship - it is important that there be more than one company or person listed in each category - it is up to the homeowner to make the final decision about which person to use on a particular job

lists from each municipality should be sent to Steve DeLottinville early in the new year - Leah Wallace to assist Steve with collecting data for the List

#### SESSION IV Walking Tour of Waterdown

Sylvia Wray led a walking tour of Mill Street North, John Street and Main Street in Waterdown

particular interest was paid to the boundaries of the Mill Street Heritage Conservation District and to new construction and infill projects which are underway in the area, particularly the addition to Knox Presbyterian Church and the Slater Mill and MacGregor Village townhouse projects - there was discussion regarding how successful each of these projects were in the context of the old village

#### CONCLUSION

There was general agreement that these Regional LACAC meetings should be continued

The next meeting has been proposed for March or April of 1997

John Nielson has expressed interest in having the Town of Ancaster LACAC host the next meeting - STAY TUNED

also enclosed, for interest, are notes taken at the Niagara Regional LACAC Registry Workshop on November 2, 1996 in Niagara-on-the-Lake

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## LOCAL NEWS

# Colourful cottage raises ire of Grimsby heritage buffs

By KATE BARLOW  
The Spectator  
GRIMSBY

Ford Cottage sports mustard-yellow board and batten siding, gingerbread with multi-coloured spindles and deep red doors.

To some, the historic Third Street home is a well-cared-for example of local history, albeit with a whimsical twist.

The town's history police say they want its gaily coloured exterior toned down.

"The idea (of historical designation) is not to change it into something you think it should be or want it to be, but to preserve it as much like the original as possible. Otherwise, there's no point in trying to preserve heritage at all," says Dorothy Turcotte, chairwoman of the Grimsby Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee.

LACAC has written to owners Dr. Sandra Buckenham and Andy DeBoer suggesting that they ask the committee's guidance in selecting colours truer to Grimsby Beach's origins as a drawing card for worshippers at the Boy's Taber-

nacle Methodist temple of the 1870s.

The 50 cottages were built on the narrow lots surrounding the long-gone temple, now known as Bell Park, to replace worshippers' original tented accommodation. Ford Cottage, named after a photographer who lived there in the 1880s, was designated by LACAC in 1988.

Dr. Buckenham says she hasn't yet received the letter but is mystified by the fuss.

When they bought the home about five years ago, one of the couple's first tasks was to approach LACAC about returning its exterior to its original appearance, she said. Those changes included the home's drab colour scheme and replacing long-gone gingerbread and the porch.

"We went before them to make sure it was all acceptable and specifically asked about colours," she said.

Mrs. Turcotte says the couple did consult with LACAC but can't recall questions about the colour scheme. "They certainly did not get information about multicoloured spindles from us," she said. "We would certainly never have advised them to use the colour scheme they've got now."



The colour scheme of Ford Cottage on Third Street has upset LACAC officials.

John Remison, The Spectator

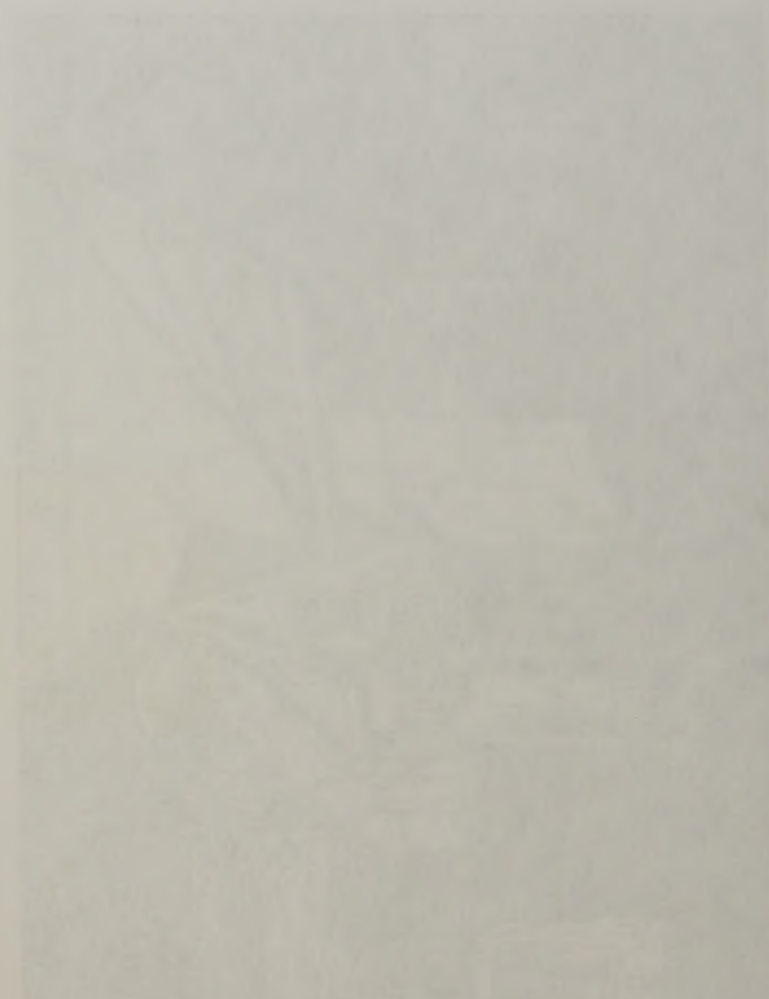


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# of Criminal Justice

The Department of Criminal Justice is a leading provider of education and training for the criminal justice system. Our programs are designed to provide students with the knowledge and skills necessary to succeed in the field. We offer a variety of degrees and certificates, including a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice, a Master's degree in Criminal Justice, and a Certificate in Criminal Justice. Our faculty consists of experienced professionals who bring a wealth of knowledge and expertise to the classroom. We also offer a variety of extracurricular activities, including internships, research opportunities, and student organizations. Our goal is to provide students with a high-quality education that prepares them for a successful career in the criminal justice system.

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